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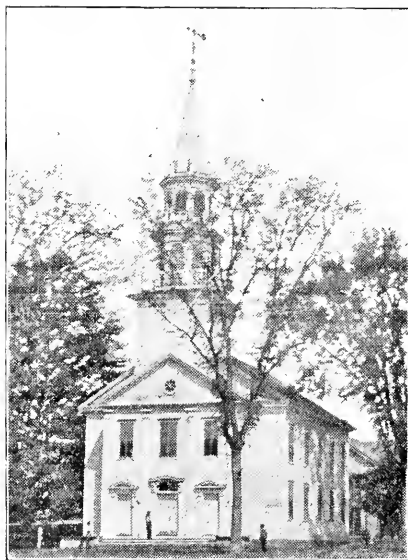
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SKETCHES AND RECORDS.

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PREFACE.

The historical sketch by Titus Pierce, which is included in the following pages, with other old documents and records from South Britain, which were loaned to the writer, led him to put the first in print and to examine the latter for additional facts of interest to supplement the narrative. The fact that the homes of several of his ancestors had been in the town of Southbury, two of them within the limits of the South Britain Society, gave a personal interest in the work, and he would gladly have continued the research indefinitely had other duties permitted. That so large a part of the book is devoted to genealogical compilations needs no apology in this time of special devotion to such studies, yet it may not be amiss to give here brief opinions of men of wide reputation for wisdom and sound judgment.

Daniel Webster said that "the study of ancestry is an incumbent duty, because we should look upon the present generation as connecting links between the eventful past and the unknown future. The preservation of a pedigree is not, therefore, a mere pastime for the curious; it is the honorable occupation of the historian."

Lord Macaulay said: "A people that takes no pride in the noble achievements of ancestors will never achieve anything worthy to be remembered with pride by their descendants."

As to the merits of our Connecticut ancestors, Hollister in his History of Connecticut says: "The Early Planters of Connecticut were neither Serfs nor the sons of Serfs; so far from this were many of them that they could trace their descent back through the line of Knights and Gentlemen of England to a remote day and some of them to that wavering horizon where history loses itself in fable."

Berard's History of the United States says of the original settlers of Connecticut: "The founders of this busy little commonwealth were of the excellent of the earth."

Sanford's History of Connecticut says: "Among the early settlers of Connecticut, a large proportion of those known as 'Planters' were descended from the landed gentry of England; in many cases they traced their ancestry in a noble line from the time of William the Conqueror."

The compiler would gratefully acknowledge assistance from members of several of the families represented, who have kindly furnished data which have greatly aided in the work.

Hoping that the book may meet with the approval of those for whom it is intended, and that they may look with leniency upon any errors that a more extended search might have avoided, the work is respectfully submitted.

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SOUTH BRITAIN.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETY.

The town of Southbury was set off from Woodbury, as a distinct society, in May, 1731, and for thirty years the people of South Britain attended services at Southbury, traveling from four to seven miles to and from church.

In October, 1761, twenty-nine persons living west of the "mountains" petitioned the Generally Assembly for authority to have four months "winter preaching" each year on account of their living far from the Southbury church and "very bad and rough roads to pass in thereto, so that they are unable to attend the same for a great part of the year," &c. The permission was granted for four years and the petitioners were exempted from parish charges in support of the ministry at Southbury "in proportion to the time allowed them to have preaching among themselves."—Colonial Records, Vol XI, pages 582-3.

In 1765, the permit having expired, and each community having increased in numbers, a petition to the General Assembly for the formation of a separate society at South Britain (Colonial Records, Vol. XII, pages 436-7) was signed by the following persons:

Wait Hinman, Ebenezer Down, James Edmonds, Samuel Wheeler, Ebenezer Hinman, John Pierce, Samuel Hinman, Eleazer

Mitchell, Ebenezer Squire, Benjamin Allen, John Garrit, Aaron Down, Zebulon Norton, David Pearce, Robert Edmonds, John Mallory, Moses Johnson, Abraham Pearce, Gideon Curtiss, Michael Han, Samuel Curtiss, Joseph Darling, Ichabod Tuttle, John Park, Timothy Allen, Gideon Booth, Matthew Hubbell, Amos Brownson, Comfort Hubbell, Samuel Hicock, Thomas Tousey, Moses Down, John Hobart, John Johnson, Solomon Johnson, James Edmonds, Jr., Silas Hubbell, Russell Franklin, James Stancliff, Joseph Baldwin, Joseph Baldwii, Jr., Elijah Hinman, Ebenezer Downs, Bethel Hinman, Samuel Pearce.

A committee was appointed to go to Southbury and inquire into the matter and at the May session, 1766, they reported favorably and the petition was granted and the new ecclesiastical society was incorporated under the name of South Britain,—C. R. Vol. XII, pp. 482-3. Following are the words of the record:

Upon the memorial of Wait Hinman and others, inhabitants of the westerly and southwesterly parts of the parish of Southberry in Woodbury, representing to this Assembly that they live at a great distance from a place of public worship in said society: that they are put to great

difficulties: praying for the privileges of an ecclesiastical society by a line drawn from the north line of said parish to the south line thereof in such direction as to pass straight by the houses of Stephen Brownson and Eldad King, or by any other line, &c.: Oliver Wolcott, Moses Lyman and Samuel Nash, Esq^{rs}, were at the General Assembly held at Newhaven, 2d Thursday of October, 1765, appointed a committee to repair to said parish of Southberry and to examine into and view the situation and circumstances of the memorialists and all others living within the limits prayed for, &c., and to make report; which committee having reported that it is convenient that an ecclesiastical society should be made in the westerly and southwesterly parts of said parish by a line drawn from the south line of said parish, beginning half a mile easterly from the northwest corner of Derby in the course of the line dividing Derby from said parish, from thence in a straight line to the center of the house of Hezekiah Porter; from thence in a straight course to one rod distance westerly from the house of William French, and so on in a straight course to the north line of said parish; and the said report of said committee being accepted and approved, as per said memorial and report on file appears: Resolved by this Assembly, that all the inhabitants included within the lines above described by said committee be and they are hereby made, created and established a distinct ecclesiastical society, and shall be and remain an entire, distinct ecclesiastical society, with all the privileges and powers usually belonging to ecclesiastical societies in this Colony, and shall be called and known by the name of South Britain; and that said inhabitants shall be and they hereby are freed from the payment of a certain rate or tax of twelve pence on the pound lately granted and made by the society of Southberry for the purpose of building a meeting-house

in said Southberry society. And it is further resolved, that Hezekiah Porter, living within said lines, shall have liberty to attend and support public worship and all contingent parish expences either in said parish of Southberry or in said South Britain.

The first meeting of the new ecclesiastical society was held June 5th, 1766, at the house of Moses Downs. Capt. Wait Hinman was chosen moderator and Matthew Hubbell clerk. It was voted that the Society hire preaching for two months and meet at the dwelling house of Moses Downs for public worship. On the 15th of September it was voted to build a meeting house and Matthew Hubbell and Matthias Townley were appointed a committee to apply to the County Court to fix upon a location for the church.

On the 1st of February, 1768, it was "voted that John Pierce, Samuel Wheeler, David Hickox, Zebulon Norton, Matthew Hubbell, Eleazer Mitchell and Samuel Hinman be a committee to build a meetinghouse for divine worship at the stake that is now established by the County Court." In 1770 the building had so far progressed as to be occupied, though not in a finished condition.

But little can be learned of the proceedings of the society previous to 1769, there being no earlier continuous record, but from that time the records of society meetings, of marriages, of baptisms and of deaths have been carefully entered and safely preserved and from them much that is to be found in the following pages has been obtained.

The following is from an old letter (not dated) from Titus Pierce, the venerable town clerk and local historian, to Henry M. Canfield, Esq.:

"Religious meetings were held at first in the chamber of what is now the Methodist parsonage. The chamber was undivided and loose boards were laid for a garret floor

on which corn was laid. Here I will relate an anecdote as I heard it from my father. An aged negro by the name of Jethro was famous for opening his mouth to an enormous extent when singing. While touching on his highest strains an unruly boy in the garret had shelled a handful of corn which he threw directly into Jethro's mouth, which caused great consternation in coughing, gagging, &c.

"The first meeting house was built after 1770. It was small and without a steeple. It stood directly south of the present one, which was erected in 1825. The first settled minister in the parish was Mr. Minor, from Woodbury. He remained here till about 1791. He was said to be an able and competent minister of the gospel but towards the latter part of his ministry he became too much engrossed in farming, to the neglect of his parochial duties, which caused a separation of minister and people. From this time till 1799 there was no settled minister.

"This brings it down to my own recollection. Among those who filled the pulpit were a Mr. Hazzard, Dr. Porter of Washington, and a Mr. Thompson. The latter moved his family here and lived here some time. They talked of settling him but could not agree on the price. I will relate an anecdote somewhat characteristic of the man. It was told me by Capt. Ben Pierce. Mr. Thompson had a wood bee. Capt. Ben said he started early in the morning with three yoke of oxen and sled, worked hard all day, cut his wood long and put on all he could get on, and drove into the yard just at night. Mr. Thompson came out and walked round the load and said, 'This ain't so big a load as Wait Hinman brought,' and walked away into the house and said no more.

"In the fall of 1799 came Mr. Mathias Casier. He was of French origin and a Frenchman he was indeed, full of life and vivacity, a fluent speaker, strong on doctrinal points, and stronger on discipline. He preached here about four years and created

a great controversy in the church, when the society voted to call the consociation, who dismissed him. He left the society in a very broken up condition, and for a long time we had not much else but Deacon's meetings.

"After a while people began to cool down and ministers were hired. Among others was Mr. Abel McEwen, who afterwards was settled in New London, and Mr. Thaddeus Osgood, afterward Dr. Osgood, a man of note in England and America.

"In the fall of 1807 came the Rev. Bennet Tyler from Middlebury. He preached through the winter and was ordained June 1, 1808. To speak in praise of Mr. Tyler is altogether labor lost. Of his ability, faithfulness, energy and great usefulness nothing need be said after 14 years' labor to the universal acceptance of the people here. He was called in March, 1822, to the presidential chair of Dartmouth College.

"Next came the Rev. Noah Smith. He preached about eight years. He was a man of sound mind and discriminating thought, but was not fluent. Being slow and hesitating of speech his preaching was uninteresting to some and without notes he could do nothing. Near the close of his ministry disaffection arose from some slight cause and a party drew off and held a separate meeting in the schoolhouse, called the Bray meeting. Mr. Smith died in 1830, of typhoid fever, leaving many friends."

The following is from a manuscript by Titus Pierce, who left it to H. M. Canfield, Esq., with the request that it should be published, and it now first appears in book form. In the references to persons and places it should be remembered that it was written long ago and that the "now" of the account refers to days lang syne.

The parish of South Britain being now the westerly part of the present town of Southbury, was originally included with-

in the ancient limits of the town of Woodbury, lying at the southwest corner of said Woodbury purchase. It includes a tract of territory about three and three quarter miles wide on the north side adjoining the town of Roxbury, and about two and a half miles adjoining the town of Bridgewater, and lies for a distance of about eight miles on the Housatonic River, separating it from the town of Newtown. It is about half a mile wide at the south end, adjoining the town of Oxford. The length of the line adjoining the first society in Southbury is about seven miles. At the time of the purchase of the territory comprising the town of Woodbury there was a tribe of Indians residing on the Housatonic river at Pootatuck. They had their village on the hill northerly of the present dwelling house of Elizur Mitchell's, where they built their council fires, held powwows and performed their various superstitious rites incident to savage life. Their burying ground was on the banks of the river and in later years the remains of those that had been buried there have been exhumed by the river in time of freshets.

In the sale of their lands to the proprietors of ancient Woodbury, they reserved a large tract at the southwest corner, since known as the South Purchase, which they retained for a number of years, but finally sold it to the said proprietors, reserving nothing but their homestead, their beloved Pootatuck, which they disposed of in a few years and then disappeared, like the leaves of autumn, no one knows where. The first English settlement in the society commenced about the year 1715.

JOHNSON.

The first settler was Mr. Moses Johnson. He owned the land all about him and built his house nearly on the spot where stands the dwelling house now occupied by Titus Pierce. His wife,

Prudence Jenner, was one of a family of daughters of Woodbury, said to possess talents and intellectual capacity of a high order. He had several sons, one of whom built his house on the plain about half a mile eastward, where some of the remains are now visible. His second son, Asa, built the house now occupied by Mr. Ambler, in the Poverty neighborhood. Two of his sons came back into South Britain and became men of note among us. Another son built the house directly opposite, which was pulled down a few years ago.

The name of Johnson, at one time somewhat numerous in the parish, is now entirely extinct.

PIERCE.

Soon after Sergt. John Pierce came into the parish. He also was from Southbury. He settled in the hollow about a mile and a half northerly from the center of South Britain. His wife Comfort was also one of the family of Jenners before alluded to. He built his house on the north side of the road leading eastward from Merrit Platt's, on the east side of the brook. He had a family of eight sons and two daughters. His sons, all but one, built houses on the main street running through the hollow. The oldest son, John, had his house a little north of the hollow school house. The second son, Samuel, died unmarried. Joseph's house is still standing, southward of Edwin Pierce's. The fourth son, David, had his house a little south of Merrit Platt's. Nathan's house stood on the ground where Reuben Pierce's house stands. The sixth son, Justus, occupies the old homestead. Abraham's house stood on the ground now occupied by Bennet F. Stiles' house. Elijah, the eighth son, had a house directly opposite to Mr. Cleaveland's dwelling house. Many of the name have removed to different parts of the country, still there is quite a number remaining.

DOWNS.

Deacon Eben Downs removed first from West Haven to Southbury, then to South Britain. He bought most of the land in the central part and built his house a little west of the widow George Curtiss' dwelling house, which was pulled down a few years ago. His oldest son, Moses, built the house now occupied as the Methodist parsonage, also the old red house which stood opposite Downs' store, and late in life he built the house now occupied as the Congregational parsonage, where he died. Aaron Downs' house stood where George Canfield's house now stands. Ebenezer, another son of Dea. Downs, occupied a house standing a little northwest of Russel Ford's. Benjamin, the youngest son, lived and died in the old homestead. All of the name now living in the society are the descendants of Deacon Downs.

TOUCEY.

Mr. Thomas Toucey was an early settler and lived in a house a little easterly from Bethune Russell's.

HICOCK.

Justus Hicock came from Southbury and lived in the house now occupied by John Guthrie. He lived to a great age and died much respected. He had a number of sons, one of which, David, married Abigail Johnson and lived and died in the house which stood where Almon B. Downs' house now stands. His other sons removed to the state of New York.

SKEELES.

On the corner south of John Guthrie's stood a house occupied by a family by the name of Skeeles. Little is known of the family as they have long since disappeared.

PORTER.

On the old road leading southerly from Elliot Bradley's and easterly of John Holihan's lived a family by the name of Porter and a little westerly of Isaac Johnson's lived another of the same name. They were said to be men of good standing. None of their descendants remain.

WHEELER.

Mr. Samuel Wheeler from Southbury settled early. His house stood a few rods easterly from Phineas Averill's dwelling house. He had a numerous family but very few of his descendants remain.

HINMAN.

Lieut. Ebenezer Hinman from Southbury settled on the land now owned by Amos Mitchell. His house stood about sixty rods southeasterly from T. Mitchell's dwelling house. None of the name are now remaining.

BOLEN.

A Mr. David Bolen settled early. His house stood on the ground where now stands the dwelling house of Averill Canfield. He sold his place to

ALLEN.

Col. Edward Allen who moved there from Milford. Col. Allen was an austere man and tyrannical in his deportment and fond of litigation. He owned large tracts of land on George's Hill, East Hill and Flat Hill, but it was all taken and sold on execution in favor of Samuel W. Johnson of Stratford, a lawyer whom he had employed in his various quarrels with others, and he finally died a town pauper. He was the owner of slaves at the time when slavery was tolerated in this state, the last one of whom we have seen and who died in our midst not many years since.

There were a number of families by the name of Allen in the early settlement of the place. Gideon Allen lived on the old road formerly leading northerly from Oliver Mitchell's. Some of his descendants are now living in the town. Benjamin Allen lived in a house which stood northerly on the opposite side of the road from Henry Mitchell's. Timothy Allen lived in a house which stood on the ground now occupied by Edward Platt's house.

PLATT.

He sold the property to Deacon Stephen Platt of Milford, who removed there with

his family. Deacon Platt lived and died there leaving a posterity of industrious, frugal and quiet citizens. Few of the name have ever emigrated and nearly all who are living still remain there.

EDMOND.

James Edmond came here and settled at an early day, his house standing near the present dwelling of Garwood Platt. He came from the North of Ireland, was a Presbyterian, and has ever been spoken of as a wise and good man. Of his descendants but one family remains in town. Robert Edmond, a half brother of the above, came to this country soon after and built his house a little south of the dwelling house of Samuel J. Stoddard. He had a large family. Among them was Hon. Wm. Edmond of Newtown, Member of Congress and Judge of the Superior Court, and David Edmond, an eminent lawyer of Vergenes, Vermont. Mr. Edmond left the place and removed to Ridgefield. His son John occupied after him and built the house now occupied by Mr. Stoddard. None of his descendants now remain in the place.

NORTON.

Mr. Zebulon Norton located himself on Flat Hill, about half a mile south of the four corners, where he built a house and lived many years. He finally removed to

TREAT.

Vermont, having sold his property to Capt. Bethuel Treat of Milford, who removed there, where he lived and died. He had a large family and his descendants were somewhat numerous but by death and removal those who remain are reduced to a small number. Capt. Treat was characterized by certain peculiarities which could all be summed up in one phrase, "he was queer."

MITCHELL.

Deacon Eleazar Mitchell came into the society from Southbury. His mother was Hannah, one of the Jenner family before alluded to. He settled in the neighborhood

of the Pootatuck tribe of Indians, many of them remaining there at that time. The house which he built is still standing. He had a numerous family, who all settled around him and whose descendants remain here. Few of the name have ever left by emigration. Deacon Mitchell was a man full of energy, life and activity, a true specimen of human nature without disguise, characteristics which may apply in some measure to his descendants. They are temperate, zealous and careful in the accumulation of property, with a suitable share of public spirit.

DOWNES—GARRETT.

The old house which we shall know best as the Berry place, situated easterly of Almon Downes, was first built by one of the Hicocks, and afterwards sold to Josiah Garrett, who had a number of sons. They all removed to different parts and the name has not been known among us for many years. The old house which stood on the old road easterly of Curtiss Downes was first owned and occupied by David Beardslee. He sold out to Mr. Joseph Pierce and moved away.

KIMBERLY.

Mr. Thomas Kimberly lived in a house on the hill easterly of Mr. Curtiss Downes, near where there has since been built a new house by Merwin Downes. He sold the place and moved down near the residence of Frank Booth, but came back and lived and died in a house standing near the residence of Mr. Mabee, which was destroyed by fire. His sons all removed or died.

CURTISS.

Mr. Samuel Curtiss came into the parish from Stratford. He lived in the house since known as the Wyman house, but built the house now occupied by Agur Warner, where he lived and died.

HINMAN.

Mr. Samuel Hinman from Southbury built his house near the river. He died and his house was afterwards occupied by his son, Wait Hinman. It has long since been taken

down. Bethuel Hinman lived in a house standing on the side hill easterly of Samuel Post's old house. He removed to New York state after selling his property to a widow Warner, who removed there with her family. Her descendants are yet living in that vicinity.

Francis Hinman lived in the old house standing northerly of Mr. Murphy, on the old road.

POST.

Samuel Post's old house was a part of it built first for a store by one of the Warners. An addition was afterwards built on by a Mr. Ayers Tuttle who lived there and manufactured potash. He moved to Vermont and the house was occupied by Mr. Joseph Post.

There were in the early settlement of the place quite a number of families living and owning houses at different points on the road running east and west by the late residence of Ely Pierce. Their names were Squire, Parks, Booth, Hubbell, Ward and Bates, but they are all gone. None of the above names are living in that vicinity and nothing remains but a print of the old cellars or old stone chimney to mark the place of human habitation.

On the top of Horse Hill was a house inhabited by John Himes. On the corner eastward of Mrs. Harry Platt's was a house owned by a family by the name of Strong and another by the name of Parks.

BALDWIN.

A little westerly of Mrs. Platt's are the remains of two old houses inhabited by people by the name of Baldwin. The last of these left there many years ago and moved to Detroit.

HAWLEY.

The house lately occupied by Smith Platt was built by a man by the name of Milton Hawley of Huntington.

HAN.

A little westerly was the residence of a German named Michael Han.

WATERMAN.

Still farther west lived another German by the name of John Mitchel Waterman. His family long since removed to the West.

TRUESDALE.

Westerly of George Platt's, in the lot, lived a family by the name of Truesdale.

HUBBELL.

Southeast of that, on the corner, was the residence of Silas Hubbell, a man visionary in his schemes. He once built a grist mill on the brook southerly of the house of Mr. Stoddard. It did not suit him and he built another to go by horse power.

PARKES.

Westerly, on the old road, lived a man by the name of John Parkes.

HICOCK.

A little northerly of Bethuel Treat's lived Mr. Samuel Hicock. He died and left no descendant.

SEWARD.

Farther west, where Mr. Benjamin Russell last lived, was a family by the name of Seward. They removed to the state of New York.

HAWLEY.

North of that lived Mr. Richard Hawley. His descendants are living in that vicinity.

SQUIRE.

Mr. Stephen Squire removed from Woodbury and settled on the Housatonic river, where his grandson, Royal G. Squire, now lives.

STANCLIFT.

The house lately demolished at the foot of the hill south of Averill Canfield's was the residence of James Stanclift. He was a stonecutter by trade. He got the red sandstone from the quarries in this vicinity and wrought them into various building stone. The old gravestones of the same material was the work of his hands.

The old house standing on the site of Oliver Mitchel's present residence was the

house of Mr. John Minor, the first minister of the parish. The house now occupied by Nancy Mitchel was built many years ago. It was occupied at one time by a Doct. Wheeler, afterwards by Benjamin Spees; was sold to Joel Downs, and was owned by Rev. Mr. Tyler during his residence here, afterwards by Rev. Mr. Smith.

The old house now known as the Benham house was occupied first by Mr. Ambrose Sperry, a blacksmith, afterwards by Mr. Eli Stilson, a land surveyor and school teacher. At the time of the settlement of Mr. Kozier it was bought by the Society and occupied as a parsonage. The old mill house stood a little easterly of M. M. Canfield's. There was a shed in front in which you could stand and draw water from the well which now remains there. The house was divided and moved away. One part is now occupied by Mrs. Nancy Johnson, the other by Mr. Hotchkiss.

BRONSON.

Two men by the name of Bronson were early settlers in the place. One of them, Stephen, had his house a little north of Edwin Pierce's; the other, Amos, lived in a house standing southeast of the old residence of Eleazar Mitchell.

The old house now occupied by Abraham Warner was built by Asa Hinman, where he lived many years. It was sold to Reuben Jennings, and after passing through other hands it was bought by Mr. Elisha Bradley, where he lived and died.

BASSETT.

On George's Hill one of the early settlers was Mr. Daniel Bassett. His house stood a little northerly of Frederic Gray's near where there is a barn now standing. His descendants were quite numerous, but following the tide of emigration to the west they have all long since gone.

The house now occupied by Mr. Frederick Gray was built by a Mr. Lewis, afterwards owned and occupied by Mr. Silas

French, who moved with his family to Ohio many years ago.

MALLORY.

Mr. Eli Mallory lived in the house where Monroe Post now lives. He moved away

TREADWELL.

and the place was occupied by a family by the name of Treadwell who moved there from Bridgeport. They owned several houses on the hill, but in consequence of death and removal none of the name of Treadwell now remain.

COE.

A little farther east was a Coe family living, who removed to the State of New York.

CLARK.

Mr. Zachariah Clark of Newtown purchased a large tract of land on the hill where he built a house, in which his son, Daniel Clark, lived and died. The property is now in the hands of his son, Marshall S. Clark.

TUTTLE.

In the southerly part of the parish in early times was a large tract known as Tuttle's farm. Mr. Noah Tuttle from Southbury settled there and built the house now occupied by a Mr. Carroll, where he spent his days and left the property to his son Newton who had a large family, some of whom remain here quiet and industrious citizens. The heirs of Capt. Ezekiah Tuttle settled on the farm where Mr. Ebenezer Guthrie now lives. None of the family remain here at present.

CLOTHIERS.

At the first settlement and for many years after, the clothing of the inhabitants was chiefly wrought by the female part of the community. Spinning and weaving was the principal parts of their employment. The woolen cloth was carried to the clothier's shop where it was dressed and constituted the greatest share of the clothing for the male population. The first clothier's shop that existed in the place was near the dwelling house of Burton Bradley. It was

occupied by Capt. Lemuel Blackman many years ago, till it was purchased by Mr. Elisha Bradley. It remained in the name for a long course of years till it was destroyed by fire not long since and the present commodious building was erected and the business started to which we all wish success

GRISTMILL.

The first gristmill was erected by Thomas Tousey on the site where it now stands. It passed into the other hands and about the year 1796 was purchased by Mr. Simon Mitchell of Mr. Nathaniel C. Clark, when it was enlarged and remodeled so as to make a commodious and convenient establishment. It remained in the hands of Mr. Mitchell's descendants until some years ago it was sold to the South Britain Water Power Co.

STORES.

The first mercantile store in South Britain was the one lately pulled down north of Mr. Bray's. It was built and occupied by Capt. Elijah Hinman, afterwards sold to Mr. Justus Johnson by whom it was occupied for many years, and after passing through various hands it was converted into a wagon shop by Mr. Benjamin P. Downs and was pulled down not long ago.

The house now occupied by Mr. Cyrus Cleaveland was first built for a store and occupied as such by Mr. Hull Booth of Newtown for a number of years. It was afterward used for a school house and then converted into a dwelling house.

Mr. Joel Pearce kept a store in his house on the sand hill northeast of Erastus Pearce's. The house was afterwards destroyed by fire. There was a store at Wapping. Otherwise there was none other till about the beginning of the present century when Mr. Burton Canfield came into the place from New Milford and erected the building directly north of Mr. Marshall Clark's. This was used as store for a long period and until after the erection of the two present buildings which are occupied for said purpose.

TANNERIES.

There have been several tanneries in the place, one at the place where Justus Pierce now lives, occupied first by Mr. John Mallory, next by Benjamin Russel, afterwards by Nehemiah Lewis. There was also a tannery at the old Samuel Botsford place for many years, also at the Reuben Jennings place, where Abram Warner now lives. Since then there was one at the place where Mr. Hotchkiss lives but they are all deserted and we have to depend on luck and chance for leather to our feet.

SAW MILLS, ETC.

There has always been a good supply of sawmills, more so formerly than at present. Cidermills were formerly seen at almost every corner of the roads and distilleries were nothing uncommon among us. This was a time before the temperance pledge had made its appearance and the people had not the fear of the Maine law before their eyes.

IRON WORKS.

There was once a forge on the Shepaug river, northerly of Joseph Squires, for the manufacture of iron, also another at the south part of the society, but the ore had to be transported from such a distance they were found unprofitable and were long since abandoned. The first blacksmith in the place was Mr. Samuel Daniels. He lived in a house south of Erastus Pierce's, on the spot where now stands the red house. Formerly the blacksmith shops were far more plenty than at present. This may be the case with all other mechanics, owing probably to the improvement and perfection of machinery whereby all articles of domestic use are manufactured.

THE TRADES.

A Mr. Moore Gibbs, a tailor, once lived in a house eastward of Edward Platt's, some distance from the road, since when we have had many of the craft residing here, but now we have none. Carpenters, joiners, wheelwrights, wagon makers, we have had a good supply, but are now nearly destitute.

PHYSICIANS.

Of physicians little is known till the latter part of the last century and it is doubtful whether any one ever resided here long at a time before. Since which time we have had our Doct. Wheeler, Doct. Austin, Doct. Noah Lindsley, Doct. Crame, Doct. Warner, Doct. Judson, Doct. Jacob Lindsley, Doct. Andrews, Doct. Norman Bull, Doct. Tomlinson and Doc. Northrop, succeeded by the present, Doct. Baldwin, who has been here about thirty years.

THE SCHOOLS.

With regard to education little can be said with regard to schools. At the first settlement it is supposed they were kept in private houses and taught mostly by foreigners, but for the last 70 or 80 years, since school houses were built in all the districts and the schools supplied with competent teachers, it is thought that general education will compare favorable with that of any society about us. There has at times been kept in the place a school of a higher order and a number of years ago an academy was built which flourished well for a season, but it has been converted into a dwelling house.

THE LIBRARY.

Some 80 or 90 years ago there was a library established among us which contained a valuable collection of books and to which was added at different times till the collection became quite respectable, but for many years it has been dormant like a heap of rubbish. Perhaps it is owing to the great quantity of newspapers of every description with which the country is flooded and created a desire in the people constantly to read something new.

There have never been many among us who have received a liberal education. Some however will be mentioned. Wm. Edmond, Member of Congress and Judge of Superior Court; David Edmond, lawyer, of Vermont; Amos Pierce, lawyer, died in Philadelphia; George E. Pierce, clergyman and president of Western Re-

serve College; Cyrus Pierce, graduate with great promise but died soon after; Cyrus Downs and Asa Bennett, clergymen; also others.

BURIAL GROUNDS.

For some years after the first settlement there was no public burial ground in the place. Probably the remains of those who died were taken to Southbury for interment. About the year 1750 the burial ground in the hollow was laid out and given to the public for that purpose. The first interment was a man by the name of Parmalee, a transient person, old and in feeble health. He came down the hill from the Purchase in the night, where he became lost, back of Merit Platt's, where in consequence of suffering he died soon after he was found. The burial ground near the center was laid out some years after. The first interments were some children of Mr. Minor, the minister, who died suddenly by some contagious disease. Some years since the burying ground was enlarged and a permanent and beautiful fence erected in front, which does great credit to the people for their taste and exertions.

I have thought I would go back as far as 1812 and give some account of the important events that occurred during that eventful year. As I had then arrived at the days of my early manhood everything is fresh in my memory.

In the spring of 1812 there broke out in the neighboring town of New Milford a mortal disease which for a time baffled the skill of the most experienced physicians. It spread over the town and into the adjoining towns and was for a time very mortal and carried away great numbers of people. At length the physicians by their skill and experiments gained the mastery of the disease and it finally subsided. It was a species of pleuro-pneumonia and was called the New Milford fever.

In the spring of that year commenced in this society a great and powerful revi-

val of religion which continued through the year. The feelings of the people were powerfully wrought upon and for some months it was the general subject of conversation among all classes of people. This was under the ministration of the Rev. Dr. Tyler, who was settled in this parish in 1808 and dismissed in 1822, and the result of whose ministry has long been felt among us.

Yours,

TITUS PIERCE.

AN OLD DOCUMENT.

An old and peculiar document bearing the signature of Jehu Minor, written four years after the close of the Revolutionary War, is interesting from several points of view. It shows something of the condition of the church here after the long contest which secured the liberty of the colonies, with the yet unhealed differences as to the right and wrong of the war. It also illustrates the mode of payment, the medium of exchange, before the mint was effective, when this state, like several others, was coining coppers for change and trade was largely carried on by barter. The document is on handmade paper with part of the watermark on the edge, in which the words "Pro Patria" are discernible. It reads as follows:

Whereas there have arisen many Difficulties and unhappy Contentions among the People in South Britain, and many have remov^d from the Parish, and some have join^d with other Persuasions whereby the Society have been weakened, and at the same time it is a Difficult Season on Account of the publick Expences, these may certify that I the Subscriber, upon consulting with a Number of my well attached Friends, considering also the Importance of upholding the Gospel Ministry and an Attention to the Means of Salvation, I have thought fit to make the following Proposal—viz—that if the Consociation should advise my continuing in the work of the Ministry among this People any longer, I will engage for the

future to have no more Demand on the People than three Pence on the Pound of the publick List per Year, from the first Day of May next, or that Proportion if there should be any Part of a Year that I should preach among them, including my fire wood as heretofore, the above three Pence on the Pound to be paid in Speices according to the Covenant, or in Money equal to Six Shillings per Spanish mill Dollar, in Case I have the Liberty of leaving the People at any future Time if I should find my Support not Sufficient, upon giving the Societies Committee a Notification thereof, for three Months, and also that the Society concur with me in calling the Consociation for my Dismission when such time shall be thought proper. Certified this 24th Day of April, 1788 by JEHU MINOR.

To all Persons whom this may concern.

Also the Society have Leave to call the Consociation to Dismiss Mr. Minor from being their Minister they appliing Three Months before the time of their meeting, and Reverend Mr. Minor shall concur.

RECEIVED BY LETTER.

In the old church record, following the list at the foot of page 5 of the manual of '95, is the following:

Those who have been received into the Chh. by Letters of Recommendation.

December y^e 5 : 1770, Peter Blackman and Wife from Roxbury.

December y^e 17 : 1770, James Standclift from Simsbury.

Nov^r 21 : 1771, Mary Pearce from Gilford.

Decemb^r 30 : 1771, Aaron Page from East Haven.

Jan^y 23 : 1772, Benajah Strong & Wife from Southbury.

Decemb^r 25 : 1772, Robert Edmond and Wife from Ditto.

June 27 : 1773, Stephen Platt and Wife from Milford—Ditto Joseph Sandford and Wife.

August 15 : 1773, Jonathan Wildman and Wife from New milford.

April 10 : 1776, Solomon Seward & Wife
from Northford.

October 10 : 1775, Gideon Matthews from
Waterbury.

August 25 : 1777, Anne Clinton from
Bethlehem.

July 4 : 1779, Bethuel Treat and Wife
from Milford.

Those who have been receiv^d into the Chh.

December 3 : 1769.

Mary Johnson.

Gideon Hickok—June 10 : 1770.

Persis Down, July 15 : 1770. Aaron

Ruth Edmond, Oct. 28 : 1770. James, jun^r

Zebulon Norton and Wife, March 8 : 1772.
James Edmond jun^r.

Timothy Beardsley and Wife,

February 14 : 1773.

Andrew Duning, June 6 : 1773.

Noah Tuttle's Wife, March 26 : 1775.

Sarah Burritt, July 18 : 1775.

Rachel Truesdall, May 19 : 1776.

Stephen Platt jun^r and Wife, June 9 : 1776.

John Skeel's Wife, July 7 : 1776.

Sarah Standclift, June 29 : 1777. George

Martha Hambleton, Sept^r 20 : 1777.

Keziah Sanford, Aug. 17 : 1783. Nathaniel

Moor Gibbs, July 24 : 1785.

Mary Standclift, April 10 1772. James

Betty Weeler, April 12 : 1772.

August y^e 7 : 1785.

Sam^l Pearce and Wife.

John Platt and Wife.

Abijah Fairchild and Wife.

Sam^l Botsford and Wife.

Comfort Edmond.

Abiah Pearce.

Titus Hinman.

Hannah Pearce.

Patience Skeel.

Hannah Pearce the 2d.

Galloway Peters—Negroe.

Husband's
Names.

Ocotb. 9 : 1785, Abigail Down. Ebenezer 2^d

April 13 : 1786, Dinah Griswold— John

Octob. 22 : 1786, the Wife of— Mallery

Decemb. 3 : 1786, Abigail Edmond—George

April 29 : 1787, Hannah Hadassah Smith—
Rev^d

Septem^r 13 : 1789, Oliver Gibbs.

—, Eunice Barns— Phineas

Oct. 13 : 1797, Levi Hubbell— Cog^gsell.

Dec^r 24, Warren Mitchel and Mille

Smith, Isaac Hill & Eliza his wife,

Phineas Barns, Noah Tuttle Jun^r,

Jonathan Hinman, Ruth Down,

Mary An Down, Olive Wheeler— Noble

DEATHS.

Octob. 29 : 1768, Hannah Pearce.

Feb. 10 : 1771, Andrew Duning's Child.

— 15, Ephraim Hubbel.

March 5, Comfort Curtiss.

May 13, Russell Canfield Minor.

June 18, Annil Pearce.

July, Zebulon Norton's Child.

August 13, Benjⁿ Mitchel.

March 26 : 1772, Judson Minor.

23, Phebe Allen.

July 28, Capt. Treat's Child.

Nov. 4, Elijah Pearce's Child.

August 4 : 1773, Betty Garret.

Decemb. 1, Mary Yongs.

Romsey's Child.

May 26 : 1774, Old Mr Burrit.

Feb. 2 : 1775, Finey's Child.

April 8, Comfort Hubbel's Wife—

— 29, Capt. Wait Hinman.

June 21, Noble Pearce.

Nov. 30, Asa Down.

March 13 : 1776, Hannah Platt.

April 25, James Truesdall.

Sept. 1, Andrew Platt.

— George Standclift, N. Y.

11, Abigail Platt.

18, Thomas Standclift.

Octob. 28, Daniel Down.

Nov. 16, John Hawkins' Child.

Decemb. 4, Sylva Hinman,

Misplad.

May, 1770, John Mallery's Wife.

July 16, Deacon Pearce's Wife.

August 12 : 1775, Robert Edmond's Wife.

April 3, 1777, Adam Thimb' Child.

5, Mary Ann Tuttle.

6, Aaron Pearce.

May 29, Truman Down's Child.
 August 4, Mary Pearce.
 Sept 4, Hambleton's 2 Children.
 10, Barns Child.
 13, Hannah Tousey.
 14, Sarah Sanford.
 Decemb. 5 : 1777, Widow Booth.
 30, Caleb Wheaton.
 Jan^y 20 : 1778 Nathaniel Hubbel.
 — 18, Sarah Booth.
 Feb. 5, Mary Edmond.
 March 14, Joseph Sanford.
 — 19, Job Sanford.
 May 9, Amiel Platt.
 — 28, Mary Pearce.
 Nov. 4, John Skeel's Child.
 — Post's Child.
 A. 17 : 1779, John Mallery's Child.
 July 1, Moses Johnson.
 August 10, Truman Strong.
 Sept. 28, Betty Pearce.
 January 7 : 1780, Elijah Pearce's Child,
 May 14, Rachel Rood.
 Sept. 22, Widow Prudence Johnson.
 Feb. 4 : 1781, Nathaniel Kimberly.
 — 26, Ensign Post's Child.
 March 9, Eunice Edmond.
 — 25, Wait Garret's Child.
 April 16, Lois Hicok.
 May 19, Mabel Skeel.
 — 28, Bethel Hinman's Child.
 Octob. 4 : 1782, Sarah Allen.
 May 5 : 1782, Elihu Minor,
 Decemb. 20, John Hubbard.
 Sept^r 12 : 1783, Esther Pearce.
 Feb. 15 : 1784, Simeon Rood.
 March 3 : 1784, Truman Down's Child.
 August 19 : 1784, David Hicock.
 May, 1785, Capt. Treat's Wife.
 Nov^r 25, Canfield Minor.
 Decemb^r 27,) James Standclift.
) Ann Hinman.
 Jan^y 2 : 1786, David Pearce.
 March 19, Samuel Wheeler.
 — 24, Anne Treat.
 May 12, Olive Mitchel.
 Decemb. 5, Widow Standclift.
 March 20 : 1787, Thomas Thimb^s Child.
 April 27, James Edmond jnr.

Octob. 13, Edward Pearce.
 March 17 : 1788, Sam^l Pearce.
 July 20, Deacon John Pearce.
 August 8, Cyrus Kimberly.
 Decemb. 14, Ethel Grey.
 May 1 : 1789, Keziah Sanford.
 Mortality.
 June y^e 1 : 1790.

BAPTISMS.

PARENTS.

May 28 : 1769, Hannah Standclift. James.
 July 9, Sarah Booth. Gideon.
 — Currence Yongs. William.
 August 6, Mabel Skeel. John.
 Sept^r 1, Hannah Pearce. Joseph.
 — 8, Noble Pearce. Abraham.
 April 15 : 1770, Mary Pearce. David.
 May 2, Simeon Garret. John.
 June 17, Francis Hicok. Gideon.
 August 5, Benjⁿ Mitchel. Eleazar.
 Sept^r 2, Ephraim Hubbel. Silas.
 Octob^r 28, Russel Canfield Minor. Jehu.
 Nov. 15, James Edmond. James jnr.
 June 15 : 1771, Annis Pearce. Abraham.
 Sept^r 15, Betty Skeel. John.
 — 22, Sarah Yongs. William.
 Octob^r 27, Reuben Pearce. Nathan.
 Decemb^r 1, Andrew Pearce. Justus.
 Jan^y 26 : 1772, Ebenezer Franklin.
 Jonathan.
 Feb. 2, Elizabeth Edmond. James jnr.
 March 25, Judson Minor. Jehu.
 May 24, Molly Norton. } Zebulon.
 Hannah Norton. }
 William Johnson. Artemus.
 June 28, Asa Hinman Wheeler. } Seth.
 Seth Noble Wheeler. }
 August 16, Calvin Pearce. Abraham.
 Sept^r 20, Hannah Pearce. Justus.
 Decemb^r 13, Noble Garret. John.
 Jan^y 3 : 1773,) Cyrus Edmond. Robert.
) Asa Down. Aaron.
 Feb. 7, Asa Pearce. Nathan.
 — 14, John Draper Beardsley. Timothy.
 April 10, Mary Matilda Minor. Jehu.
 June 6, John Calvin Booth. Gideon.
 — 20, Eli Duning. Andrew.
 — 27, Asa Adams Yongs. William.
 August 15, Anne Wildman. Jonathan.
 Sept. 12, Lot Sanford. Joseph.

Jan ^{ry} 27 : 1774, { Mille Kimberly. } { Betty Kimberly. } Neth ^l .	August 22, Sarah Beardsley. Timothy.
March 27, Gershom Blackman Peter.	— 29, Elizabeth Ann Platt. Stephen jnr.
April 3, Cyrus Kimberly. Neth ^l .	{ Alfred Treat. } Nov. 3, { Amos Camp Treat. } Bethuel.
— 24, Olive Mitchel. Eleazar.	{ Esther Treat. }
May 20, Joseph Franklin. Jonath ⁿ .	March 5 : 1780, Jehu Russel Minor. Jehu.
August 21, William Edmond. James, jnr.	June 24 : 1781, Mary Beardsley. Timothy.
Nov ^r 27, Truman Pearce. Nathan.	July 1, Nathona Kimberly. Keziah.
Decemb ^r 25, Elizabeth Spees. Benj ⁿ .	April 11 : 1782, { Cyrus Pearce. Nathan.
Jan ^{ry} 15 : 1775, Ann Beardsly. Timothy.	{ Justus Pearce. Justus.
— 29, Hulda Norton. Zebulon.	May 4, Elihu Minor. Jehu.
Feb. 5, { Philo Pearce. Abraham.	August 26, Olive Wooster. —
{ Gideon Hicok. Gideon.	June 1 : 1783, Urania Pamela Minor. Jehu.
— 26, Sarah Lucretia Minor. Jehu.	— 8, Mary Ann Pearce. Justus.
March 26, Mary Ann Tuttle. Noah.	— 22, Bennet Beardsley. Timothy.
June 4, Susanah Duning. Andrew.	May 2 : 1784, Sarah Ana Allen. Gideon.
— 11, Mary Page. Aaron.	July 4, Clara Platt. Stephen jnr.
Sept ^r 10, Mary Pearce. Justus.	August 15, Mary Sanford. Nath ^l .
Nov ^r 26, Jared Beardsley Matthew, Gideon.	June 5 : 1785, Susanah Treat. Bethuel.
Decemb ^r 3, { Anne Sanford. Joseph.	July 4, Edward Pearce. Abraham.
{ Ruth Down. Aaron.	— 31, Levi Beardsley. Timothy.
May 23 : 1776, { Rachel Truesdale } { Sam ^l } { Lucy } Rachel.	Septemb ^r 11, Hannah Pearce. } Titus.
{ Joel } { Lyda } { James Jonathan } { Rebecca Mecharakan. O.	August 7, Galloway Peters. (Negro) —
June 9, { Mary Blackman. Peter.	Octob ^r 23, Ana Sperry. Jonathan.
{ Isaac Clark Platt. Stephen, jnr.	Nov ^r 24, Canfield Minor. Jehu.
Octob ^r 20, Elisha Pearce. Nathan.	March 12 : 1786, Edward Allen. Gideon.
Decemb ^r 1, Clarre Kimberly. Nath ^l .	{ John Gilbert Mallery. } { Elizabeth. } April 13, { Daniel. } John.
Jan ^{ry} 12 : 1777, Andrew Platt. Stephen.	{ Sarah. } { Ann. } { Esther. }
May 11, Benj ^m Mitchel. Eleazer.	July 2, Shadrach Pearce. Justus.
June 1, Aaron Booth. Gideon.	Decemb ^r 3, Anne Sanford. Nath ^l .
July 13, { Annis Standclift. } { George Standclift. } Sarah.	Jan ^{ry} 8 : 1787, Hannah Hadassah Smith. —
— 27, Sam ^l Clinton. Sam ^l .	Mar ^{ch} 20, Molly Edmond. John.
{ Abigail Hambleton, } Sept ^r 20, { Lemuel } Will ^m .	June 10, Amos Alrick Gibbs. Moor.
{ Zalmon } Nov ^r 6, { Sylva Priscilla Minor. Jehu.	May 18 : 1788, Jane Treat. Bethuel.
{ Jonah Sanford Joseph.	— Titus Bennet Hinman. Titus.
April 19 : 1778, Mary Ester Spees. Benj ^m .	Sept ^r 14, Abigail Betsey Pearce. Titus.
June 4, Moses Tousey. Mercy.	— 28, Rexford Sperry. Jonath ⁿ .
Octob ^r 25, { William Yong. Will ^m .	Nov ^r 2, John Pearce Andrus. Benj ^m .
{ Mary Clinton. Simeon.	April 12 : 1789, Betty Botsford. Sam ^l .
— 29, { David Pearce. Justus.	May 54, Harriettee Gibbs. Moor.
{ Abraham Noble Pearce. Abraham.	Sept ^r 13, Eunice Ann Barnes. Phineas.
Jan ^{ry} 21, { John Parks Edmond. James jnr.	June 11 : 1797, Johana Hinman. Titus.
1779. { Aaron Grannis Page. Aaron.	Dec ^r 24, Cyrus and Sally Mitchel. Warner.
{ Ann Stroug. Benajah.	Maria and Benjamin Hill. Isaac.
	Noah Tuttle, jnr.

THE NEW COVENANT, ETC.

The Covenant voted by the Chh in South Britain May the 18th, 1769, to be owned by those who are admitted Members in full Communion with the Chh.

You do now Solemnly profess in the Presence of God before Angels and Men, to choose God the Father, God the Son, and God the holy Ghost to be your God, Jesus Christ to be your Saviour, and the holy Ghost your Sanctifier, promising that you will do your faithful Endeavour, to renounce Sin, Satan, and the World; and denying all Ungodliness and every worldly Lust, you will live Soberly, righteously and godly in this evil World, and give up yourself Body and Soul and yours to be Servants to the Lord, and you acknowledge this to be a true Chh of Christ, and do bind yourself thro' Grace Assisting you, to walk with us blameless in all the ordinances of the Gospel, which Christ hath appointed for the Edification of his Chh, covenanting that you will walk together in all brotherly Love towards your fellow members as become the followers of Jesus, and that you will submit to the Government of Christ in this his Chh, to all the Administrations and Sensures of it so far as you shall be directed by the unerring Word of God, so long as God in his Providence shall continue you here—thus you Covenant and engage—— We do then receive you into our Communion and engage thro' the Grace of God to conduct towards you with all that brotherly Watch and Care as becomes the Disciples of Jesus Christ.

MARRIAGES.

Jan^{ry} 11: 1769, Timothy Castle, Sarah Hubbel
Feb^{ry} 8: 1770, Elijah Pearce, Esther Down
June 21, Justus Pearce, Mary Norton.
Nov^r 23, Jehiel Franklin, Emm Johnson.
Octob^r 24, Andrew Duning, Elisabeth Bristol

1771,
June 17, David Franklin, Sarah Hubbard.
Sept^r 9, Benjⁿ Down, Comfort Hinman.
Decemb^r 16, Aaron Barns, Patience Mott.
1772.
Jan^{ry} 22, Joseph Wooster, Hannah Woodruff
Sept^r 6, Nehemiah Hickby, Sarah Allen.
Jan^{ry} 28: 1773, John Pearce, Mary Edmond
April 21, George Standclift, Sarah Chitzey.
May 30, Matthew Hawley, Chloe Barns.
Sept 22, Daniel Hinman, Annis Hinman.
Octob^r 21, Will^m Scot, Mary Standclift.
Nov^r 4, Titus and Lucy from Bethlehem.
Decemb^r 22, Peter Minor, Eunice Hicok.
Feb. 8: 1774, Eleazar Finny, Mary Johnson
— 10, Benjⁿ Hicok, Mary Pearce.
March 31, Adam Kimberly, Jerusha Rood.
Sept^r 25, Simeon Barnes, Lucipy Johnson.
Nov^r 2, Justus Hicok, Amy Garret.
Feb^{ry} 1: 1775, Asa Hinman, Annis Hinman
Mar^h 23, Robert Jackson, Elizabeth Cockran
April 27, David Mitchell, Sarah Pearce.
July 20, Thomas Standclift, Martha Prindle
Decemb^r 7, John Edmond, Comfort Pearce
1776,
Jan^{ry} 14, Asahel Brown, Eunice Standclift.
April 4, Comfort Hubbel, Susannah Baxter
— 8, Phineas Barns, Eunice Pearce.
June 16, John Hawkins, Lois Kimberly.
— 28, Agur Wheeler, Anne Tuttle.
Decemb^r 12, James Miur, Ann Judson.
Jan^{ry} 8: 1777, Jehu Johnson, Love Down.
— 9, Sam^l Pearce, Martha Edmond.
Feb. 27, Truman Down, Sarah Porter.
August 7, Isaac Squire, Content Ward.
Dec^{mbr} 15, Amaziah Griswold, Bethia Parks
— 29, Asa Hicok, Esther Hinman.
Jan^{ry} 29: 1778, John Johnson, Ann Hinman
Octob^r 21, John Garret, Esther Spencer.
Nov^r 11, Hugh Paul, Abia Booth.
— 26, Moses Canfield, Sarah Masters.
June 2: 1779, Truman Skeel, Chloe Hill.

Jan^{ry} 10 : 1780, Josiah Page, Mary Down.
 May 18, Johu Griswold, Dina Down.
 July 17, Ambrose Sperry, Patience Wheeler
 Octob. 8, Ephraim Herick, Lucy Thorp.
 Nov^r 16, Joseph Baldwin, Mary Squire.
 Decem^{br} 10, Elisha Stevens Agnus Kimberly.
 Febr^y 3, Titus Pearce, Abia Platt.
 Jan^{ry} 25 : 1781, John Platt, Currence Pearce
 Febr^y 13, Will^m Hues, Elizabeth Wheeler.
 — 21, Francis Garret, Annis Hicok.
 June 11, David Judson, Sarah Hazard.
 Jan^{ry} 24 : 1782, David Allen, Sarah Garret.
 Feb. 24, Jam^s Shelton Masters, Mabel Baldwin
 May 20, John Chilson, Abigail Hicok.
 June 16, John Bulford, Olive Eaton.
 — 24, Nathan Stiles, Betsy Wagoner.
 July 10, (Eljah Baldwin, Cloe Labdall.
 (John Botsford, Jerusha Bennit.
 August 8, David Hicok, Phebe Post.
 Sept. 17, Ebenezar Down, Abigail Standclift
 Octob^r 25, Nathan Dudley, Jemima Mallory
 — 6, Truman Porter, Deborah Roe.
 Nov^r 17, Gideon Allen, Sarah Standclift.
 1783,
 Jan^{ry} 17, Sam^l Tomlinson, Jerusha Martin.
 April 17, Simeon Mitchel, Hannah Johnson
 July 3, Elias Beardsley, Hannah Clark.
 Sept. 7, Jonathan Sperry, Martha Hotchkiss
 — 11, David Rugg, Charity Knap.
 Sept^r 18, John Hubbel, Parallas Foot.
 Nov^r 6, Aaron Curtiss, Susannah Levenworth
 Decem^{br} 18, Zerah Tousey, Anne Johnson.
 Jan^{ry} 29 : 1784, Wait Hinman, Eunice Mitchel
 Feb. 19, Jonah Allen, Mary Treat.
 May 6, Sam^l Botsford, Patience Pearce.
 June 15, Lemuel Hill, Aner Minor.
 June 24, Asahel Bacon, Hannah French.
 Nov^r 18, Amos Hicok, Mercy Tousey.
 Decem^{br} 12, David Stiles, Olive Pearce.
 Feb. 2 : 1785, Joseph Post, Betty Hinman.
 March 10, Thomas Smith, Thankful Page.
 May 3, Amos Bennit, Phebe Hard.
 — 18, Benjⁿ Russel, Eunice Barlow.
 June 1, Christian Wolf, Rebecka Duning.
 Nov^r 27, Noadiah Warner, Polly Curtiss.
 Decem^{br} 27, ———, Elizabeth Himes.
 Feb. 8 : 1786, Ashel Martin, Ruth Ann Minor
 — 5, Oliver Gibbs, Jane Specs.
 — 27, Joseph Pearce, Sarah Hicok.

May 31, Zephaniah Holister Smith, Hannah Hicok.
 June 29, Moor Gibbs, Patience Skeel.
 August 17, John Mitchel Waterman, Anne Squire.
 Decem^{br} 6, Eleazar Mitchel, Abigail Hicok
 — 17, Jonathan Griffin, Sarah Standclift
 Sept^r 10, Newton Tuttle, Ruth Pearce.
 Febr^y 1 : 1787, Ethel Gray, Silence Streeter
 — 21, Ely Squire, Mary Brown.
 August 2, Asa Wheeler, Sylvana Foot.
 Decem^{br} 21, Benjⁿ Andrus, Hannah Pearce
 June 15 : 1788, Simeon Mitchel, Anne Pearce
 July 10, Christian Mogg, Ruth Mix.
 Sept^r 25, Zenas Ward, Martha Park.
 Nov^r 19, Warren Mitchel, Mille Kimberly.
 Decem^{br} 4, Justus Hull, Polly Pearce.
 — 21, David Penix, Zuba Hicok.
 — 26, Francis Boyd, Sarah Erwin.
 1789,
 Jan^{ry} 22, Wildman Down, Eunice Treator.
 Febr^y 25, Truman Stoddard, Sarah Pardy.
 1797,
 Oct^r 25, Noadiah Hawley, Betty Kimberly.
 — 26, Agur B——, Abigail Down.
 Dec^r 18, Isaac Platt, Amia Barns.
 — 24, Lazarus Ward, Hannah Pearce.

CHH RECORDS.

At a Chh. Meeting in Southbritain at the House of Moses Down June y^e 29 : 1769, John Pearce was chosen Deacon of the Chh. Capt. Down was chosen to read the Psalm. John Garret, Andrew Duning, Capt. Burret, and John Skeel were chosen Choiresters, the Meeting dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting August the 31 : 1769 at the House of Moses Down. Ebenezar Down was chosen the 2^d Deacon. Voted, that each Communicant contribute 1/6 to furnish the Communion Table. Voted, to attend the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper the first Sabbath in each quarter of the Year, the Meeting was dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting Jan^{ry} 22 : 1771, at the House of the Widow Johnson. Voted, that Deacon Pearce and Ebenezar Squire should

go and Discourse with the Man that we are informed is the Father of Mary Cummins unlawfully begoten Child. Voted, that Robert Edmond should be admitted to sit in the Chh Meeting, and after some Conversation, the Meeting was dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at Mr. Minor's Decem. the 21 : 1774. Voted, that Gideon Booth and Lieu^t Sanford be Choiresters, considered the Case of Ebenezar Hinman's withdrawing from the Chh. that whereas it appeared that he withdrew conscientiously and very much through Ignorance, the Chh voted unanimously to receive him upon the Reflection he made before the Chh. dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at Mr. Minor's Jan^y 18 : 1776. Voted, that the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall not be neglected at our usual Times of attending that ordinance, unless it be determined otherwise by the Chh. Voted, that Gideon Hickok and Gideon Matthews be Choiresters. dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at Mr. Minor's June 9 : 1778 met for the Purpose of Considering the Matter of giving Robert Edmond a Letter of Recommendation. Voted, that the Chh would suspend giving him a letter. the Chh then wrote a Letter to Robert Edmond, and the Meeting was adjourned to Mr. Minor's the 25th instant at 4 o'clock. Met according to Adjournment. Robert Edmond not being present there was no Business done. Dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at Mr. Minor's August 24 : 1778 appointed by desire of Robert Edmond, the Chh still suspended giving Robert Edmond a Letter of Recommendation. Dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at Mr. Minor's March 2 : 1780 the Chh were not willing to give Robert Edmond a Letter of Recommendation. Voted, that it was their duty to proceed by Way of Discipline. Voted, that Capt Mitchell and Solomon Seward be ap-

pointed to take the Steps of the Gospel, according to Matthew 18th and make Report to the next Chh Meeting, the Meeting was then adjourned to the Meeting House the 30th of March instant at 1 o'clock. Met according to Adjournment, the Committee made Report, that after the first Sep was taken Brother Edmond refused to give opportunity to them to take the 2^d. Some Conversation past whether the 2^d Step was really taken according to Gospel Rule. the Chh then voted that the first step was taken and proceeded to other Business. Voted, that James Slandelift Jun^r. be a choirester. Voted, that Timothy Beardsley and Gideon Hickok be appointed a Committee to examine the publick Reports relative to John Park, Benajah Strong and Aaton Page concerning their having been any Way accessory or conniving at their children's plundering the House of Nehemiah Skidmor of Newtown and Jonathan Benedict of Newmilford, or things relative thereto,—and also to examine Publick Reports about Lieu^t Sanford's being disguised with Spirituous Liquors, and to make Report to the next Meeting. The Meeting was then adjourned to the 20th of April next at 2 o'clock at the Meeting House.

Met according to Adjournment. The Committee made Report that they had examined the Matter relative to the plundering, both by discourseing with S^d Brethren, and also examining of the Reports, and found that the publick Fame was without Ground or Foundation, and that no Matter of Offense could be found. the Chh then proceeded to a particular Examination of s^d Brethren, and received such direct Answers, with a spirit of mildness and Freedom becoming Christians, that it was abundantly satisfactory to the Chh, upon which they unanimously voted—that they were fully satisfied. The Committee then proceeded to make Report concerning Lieu^t Sanford, and that after discourseing with him, and examin publick Reports and Evidence of the Fact, they were of the opinion that there was just Grounds of Offence. —

The Chh then voted that s^d Committee should proceed with Lieu^{nt} Sanford according to Matthew 18th so as to bring him to Repentance, and to make further Report to the next Meeting. Adjourned to the 4th day of May next to meet at the Meeting House 2 o'clock afternoon.

Met according to adjournment. the Committee reported that Lieu^{nt} Sanford desired a Fortnight to consider the Matter, which was granted. the Chh then proceeded to discourse upon the Subject of the Plundering of John Park ju^r and Josiah Page. Voted, that they would proceed to enquire into the Matter. Voted, that Mr. Minor should send to them, desiring them to attend the next Chh Meeting, in order for Conversation with them. adjourned to the 18th of instant May at the Meeting House at 2 o'clock afternoon.

Met according to adjournment. John Park ju^r and Josiah Page refused to come to the Chh Meeting, a Letter from John Park ju^r was handed in which contained Reflections upon the Chh, and after some Conversation the Chh—Voted, to postpone the Affair of the Children to a future Time. the Meeting was adjourned to the 16th of June next to meet at the Meeting House 2 o'clock afternoon.

Met according to Adjournment. the Meeting being opened, a Complaint was laid into the Chh against Joseph Sanford for the Sin of Drunkenness which being read the Chh voted to proceed upon the Complaint, to Cite him and the Evidences to the next Chh Meeting and after some Conversation the Meeting was adjourned to the 6th day of July next at 2 o'clock at the Meeting House.

Met according to Adjournment. Joseph Sanford being present he disowned the Charge contained in the Complaint. the Chh then proceeded to examin Evidences and—Voted, to reconsider the Matter at our next Meeting.

Met according to Adjournment. proceeded further to examin Evidence for the Support of the Complaint against Joseph San-

ford: and as he was not Present the Chh—Voted, that in the present View of the things they Judge the Complaint was supported, but left the Matter for further opportunity and Examination. A Complaint was then Exhibited to the Chh by David Pearce against John Park for Slander and reviling. the Chh voted to proceed to Trial. the Meeting was then adjourned to the 26th instant at the Meeting House 2 o'clock afternoon.

Met according to Adjournment. proceeded further to examin Evidences relative to Joseph Sanford, and finding some further Light which materially altered the View of the Matter as it appeared the 10th instant upon which the Chh reconsidered the former Vote and voted—that the Complaint was not Supported. the Chh then proceeded to examin the Evidences for the Support of the Complaint against John Park, and after a particular Attention to the Matter, the Chh judg^d the Complaint was not Supported, and the Meeting was dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at the Meeting House
March 27 : 1782.

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Voted, that the Chh will call advisory Counsel of Ministers and Messengers to assist them in the Difficulties subsisting in the Chh.

Voted to call in the Rev^d Messieurs, Doctor Bellamy, Mr. Brinsmade, Mr. Benedict, and Mr. Wildman with their Delegates.

Voted, to refer their Matters of Difficulty to the above Counsel, to give their Judgment and Advice, both with respect to what is proper to be considered by them; and also relative to those things which they do consider.

Voted, that the above Counsel be desired to come the 18th day of June next. the Meeting was then dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at the Meeting House
June 18 : 1782 the Rev^d and honorable Counsel being present, they proceed so far to hear a variety of Difficulties as to give

their Advice to the Chh. the Chh then voted that the 2 anonymous Papers that were publickly read, which Scandalously impeached Mr. Minor's Character, Should be given to the Scribes of the Counsel. Voted that the Chh did concur with the Advice of the Counsel. the Meeting was then dismissed.

At a Chh Meeting at the Meeting House August y^e 28 : 1782. the Chh voted that Asa Hicok should be a Choirester.

At a Chh Meeting at the Meeting House June y^e 1 : 1790. appointed in order to lead the Chh to a vote concerning Mr. Minor's Dismission.—adjourned to the House of Elijah Pearee—met &c.—Mr. Minor discourse^d with the Chh concerning their unhappy Situation, after all his Labours among them, in the discharge of the important Trust committed to him. he informed them that there seemed to be a Call in divine Providence for him to be dismissee^d from his Pastoral Relations to them, and as he was about to leave them in this World of Snares and Temptations, as Sheep without a Shephard, he commended them to God and the Word of his Grace which was able to build them up, &c., and after the affecting discourse was ended Mr. Minor led the Chh to the following Vote—viz—So many of you as concur with me in desiring the Con-sociation here present to dismiss me from my pastoral Relation to you, please to signify it by holding up the Hand. the Vote pass^d in the Affirmative. Mr. Taylor was then chosen Moderator of the Chh pro Tempore—who led the Chh to the following Vote, viz—that this Chh view the Rev^d Mr. Jehu Minor as a Member in regular standing, and as such can hold Christian Communion with him. the Chh then choose Mr. Benedict for their Standing Moderator.

At a Chh Meeting at the Meeting House Decemb. 25 : 1772. the Chh vote—that those Parents that remov^d their Relation from the Chh in Southbury to the Chh in

South britain. remov^d the Relations of their Families also. Voted that baptis^d Persons are proper subjects of Discipline. the Meeting was then adjourn^d.

THE MEMBERSHIP.

The following is a complete list of members of the ecclesiastical society in 1772, numbering fortythree.

Timothy Allen.	Moses Johnson.
Gideon Allen, jun ^r .	
Stephen Brownson,	
Gideon Booth.	Thomas Kimberly.
Peter Blackman.	Eleazer Mitchell.
Timothy Bardslee.	Rev ^d Jehu Minor.
Phineas Barns as com- mittee.	Daniel Mun.
Nath ^l C. Clark.	Amos Mitchell.
Cap. Nathan Chapman	Zebulun Norton.
Moses Down.	Abraham Pearce.
Capt. E. Down.	John Pearce.
Aaron Down.	Joseph Pearce.
Andrew Dunning.	David Pearce.
Rob ^t Edmond.	Gideon Porter.
John Garit.	Elijah Pierce.
Samuel Hinman.	Ebenezer Squier.
Matthew Hubbel.	David Skeel.
Elijah Hinman.	John Skeel.
Gideon Hicok.	Joseph Sanford.
Ebenezer Hinman.	James Standclift.
Widow Prudent John.	Gideon Tuttel.
son.	Thomas Tousey.
	Samuel Wheler.

Five years later the membership had increased to seventyseven and the "Rate bill for the Rev^d Mr. Minor's Salary for the year 1777" was as follows :

	£	s.	d.
Gideon Allen	0	6	2½
Phineas Barns.....	0	7	0
Peter Blackman.....	0	8	2½
Gideon Booth.....	0	9	6
Timothy Beardsly.....	0	8	5¾
George Bauster.....	0	5	6¾
Isaac Bateman.....	0	6	1½
Sam ^l Curtiss.....	1	7	10½
Sam ^l & Simeon Clinton.....	1	6	3
Andrew Dunning.....	0	7	0
Ebenezer Downs, Sen ^r	1	5	5¾

Aaron Downs.....	1	2	10	Nathaniel Sanford.....	0	10	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Moses Downs.....	1	9	10	Joseph Sanford.....	1	7	3
Ebenezer Downs jun ^r	0	8	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Solomon Seward.....	1	7	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Benj ⁿ Downs.....	0	15	1	John Skeel.....	0	19	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Robert Edmond.....	0	16	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	Benjamin Spees.....	0	12	9 $\frac{1}{4}$
John Edmond.....	0	10	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Bethuel Treat.....	1	17	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
James Edmond.....	1	0	9	Rachel Treusdel.....	0	2	10
James Edmond, jun ^r	1	6	8	Thomas Tousey.....	1	7	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Jehiel Franklin.....	0	7	0	Noah Tuttle.....	1	7	1
Justus Hicok.....	1	10	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	Caleb Wheaton.....	0	0	11
Justus Hicok, jun ^r	0	12	2	William Young.....	0	11	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
David Hicok.....	0	15	5				
Gideon Hicok.....	0	14	8			72	8 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Elijah Hinman.....	0	10	8	The following list was attested by Increase			
Sam ^l Hinman.....	1	1	1	Moseley, Reg ^r , as "truly Extracted from			
Bethel Hinman.....	1	0	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	Record as the whole Lists of South Britain			
Ebenezer Hinman.....	1	7	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	for A. D. 1787."			
Daniel Hinman.....	0	10	1 $\frac{1}{2}$			£	s. d.
Asa Hinman.....	0	11	2	Edward Allen.....	174		
Benjamin Hinman.....	0	7	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	David Allen.....	4		
Frances Hinman.....	0	19	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	Gideon Allen.....	23	10	
Zadock Hendrick.....	0	5	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	Jonah Allen.....	24	16	
Zachariah How.....	0	5	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Phinehas Barnes.....	55	11	
John Hubart.....	0	6	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Jabez Barlow.....	11	14	
Comfort Hubbel.....	0	8	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	Samuel Botsford.....	27	3	9
William Hambleton.....	0	5	5	Elijah Baldwin.....	24	7	
Solomon Johnson.....	0	6	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	Joseph Baldwin.....	34	4	
Reuben Jennings.....	0	7	0	Smith Booth.....	46	13	
John Johnson.....	1	6	8	Lemuel Blackman.....	40	11	6
Moses Johnson.....	0	18	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	Abel Bennitt.....	5		
Thomas Kimberly.....	2	17	6	Nath ^l Cary Clark.....	54	5	
Gideon Mathew ^s	0	7	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Samuel Curtiss.....	75	16	
John Mallery.....	0	19	9	Ebenezer Down.....	24	19	9
Eleazer Mitchel.....	4	8	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ebenezer Down, 2 nd	21	7	
John Pearce.....	2	6	1	Moses Down.....	82	3	
Joseph Pearce.....	3	3	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	Aaron Down.....	52	9	
David Pearce.....	1	13	9	Benjamin Down.....	44	8	3
Samuel Pearce, jun ^r	0	11	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Truman Down.....	35	5	6
Justus Pearce.....	1	17	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	Nathan Down.....	34	3	6
Abraham Pearce.....	1	10	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	Samuel Daniels.....	9		
Nathan Pearce.....	3	5	10	James Edmonds.....	43	1	3
Elijah Pearce.....	1	0	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	George Edmonds.....	23	3	6
Stephen Platt.....	2	13	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	John Edmonds.....	71	16	
Stephen Platt, juu ^r	0	12	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Andrew Ervin.....	30	12	
Aaron Page.....	0	16	0	Abijah Fairchild.....	5		
John Parks.....	1	4	3	John Glover.....	14	1	
Gideon Porter.....	1	3	10	Oliver Gibbs.....	21	10	
Simeon Rood.....	0	9	8	Moore Gibbs.....	18		
Benajah Strong.....	1	14	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Francis Garrit.....	34	19	6

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Daniel Gorham.....	30	3		Josiah Page.....	30	17	6
Daniel Hinman.....	65	4	3	Benjamin Russell....	29	9	9
Jonathan Hinman.....	53	17	3	Jared Smith.....	58	17	6
Asa Hinman.....	18			Ambrose Sperry.....	20	7	6
Francis Hinman.....	43		9	Abijah Squier.....	26		
Wait Hinman.....	48	3	6	Stephen Squier.....	22	16	
Samuel Hinman.....	22	12		David Squier.....	25	14	6
Bethuel Hinman.....	16	18		Jonathan Sanford.....	2		
Titus Hinman.....	30	3	3	Solomon Sanford.....	2	12	
Gideon Hawley.....	10	5		Solomon Seaward.....	60	16	9
Milton Hawley.....	2	5		Daniel Sherman.....	37	8	9
Richard Hawley.....	68	7	9	John Skeel.....	33	18	
Gideon Hicok.....	23	2	6	James Stancilift.....	23		
Justus Hicok.....	24	4	3	Cyrenus Stoddard.....	9		
Asa Hicok.....	76	7		Zephaniah Smith.....	1	10	
John Hymes.....	11			Bethuel Treat.....	113	6	
Amos Johnson.....	87	14		Noah Tuttle.....	97		
John Johnson.....	31	14	6	Robert Treat.....	12	3	
John Johnson, 2 nd	29	19		Macok Ward.....	34	3	6
Reuben Jennings.....	36	18	6	Zenas Ward.....	47	12	5
Thomas Kimberly.....	57	9	9	Noadiah Warner.....	37	5	
Thomas Kimberly, 2 nd	36	6		Johnson Wheeler.....	95	11	6
Eleazar Knowles.....	3	10		Agur Wheeler.....	68	5	6
Servignor Lewis.....	14	4		Asa Wheeler.....	10	10	6
Stephen Mix Mitchell.....	15						
Eleazar Mitchell.....	158	2					
Simeon Mitchell.....	89	7					
John Mallery.....	55	7	3				
James Masters.....	20						
Josiah Osborn.....	18						
Simeon Osborn.....	3						
Justus Pearce.....	83	7	6				
Titus Pearce.....	23	4	3				
Elijah Pearce.....	53	9	6				
John Pearce.....	68	6	6				
Abraham Pearce.....	65	13					
Eunice Pearce.....	18	11	6				
Samuel Pearce, 2 nd	33	4	3				
Joseph & Benj ⁿ Pearce.....	106	3					
Joel Pearce.....	76	14	6				
Nathan Pearce.....	154	4	6				
John Parks.....	9						
John Parks, 2 nd	35	15	3				
James Parks.....	15	6					
Stephen Platt.....	75	16	6				
Stephen Platt, 2 nd	47		9				
John Platt.....	46	10	6				
Joseph Post.....	31	5	3				

Total, 4211 14 6

The rate bill for 1795 was made out in pounds, shillings and pence, at the rate of three pence on the pound, and amounted to £43, 19s, 6½d. The next list that we find, made out in dollars and cents, is that "granted the 27th of December, 1798, on the list of 1798, for raising the sum of \$150 payable the first of April, 1799. Samuel Botsford, Collector. Made by us, Lemuel Blackman, Nathan Pearce, Jr., Silas Bennett, Committee." There are sixtyfive names, viz.:

Gad Austin.	Abel Barlow.
Jonah Allen.	Elisha Bradley.
Gideon Allen.	Andrew Bostwick.
Samuel Botsford.	Asa Cogswell.
Silas Bennitt.	Truman Down.
Judson Booth.	Joel Down.
Daniel Bassett.	Nathan Down.
Phinel as Barnes.	Moses Down, Junr.
Edward Blackman.	Benjamin Down.
Lemuel Blackman.	Aaron Down.

Philo Down.	John Platt.	Andrew Bostwick.....	2.99
Moses Down.	Stephen Platt.	Israel Bradley.....	0.60
John Edmond.	William Platt.	Elisha Bradley.....	5.56
James Edmond.	Benjamin Pearce.	Noah Brownson, Jr.....	1.88
Bennitt French.	Elijah Pearce.	Ira Barns.....	1.05
Jonathan Hinman.	Nathan Pearce.	Oliver Chatfield.....	5.66
Asa Hicok.	Isaac Platt.	Burton Canfield.....	3.40
Wait Hinman.	Nathan Rumsey.	Joel Crane.....	2.29
Titus Hinman.	Ambrose Sperry.	Nathan Downs.....	7.19
Benajah Hill.	Eli Stilson.	Aaron Downs.....	9.65
Isaac Hill.	George Stanclift.	Wait Downs.....	3.86
Obadiah Hawley.	Bethuel Treat, Jr.	Benjamin Downs.....	6.03
Amos Johnson.	Bethuel Treat.	Philo Downs.....	4.18
Justus Johnson.	Robert Treat.	David Dayton.....	3.72
Reuben Jennings.	Alfred Treat.	Joel Downs.....	2.10
Nehemiah Lewis.	Noah Tuttle.	John Edmond.....	5.99
Amos Mitchel.	Noah Tuttle, Jr.	John P. Edmond.....	0.48
Warren Mitchel.	Seth N. Wheeler.	Bennet French.....	16.25
Eleazer Mitchel.	Asa H. Wheeler.	Obadiah R. Guthrie.....	8.07
Simeon Mitchel.	Johnson Wheeler.	Wait Hinman.....	7.67
Titus Pearce.	Marvin Warner.	Titus Hinman.....	3.94
Nathan Pearce, Jr.	Bethuel Ward.	Benajah Hill.....	3.29
John Pearce.		Isaac Hill.....	2.94

In the list of 1801 there appear the following additional names :

Noah Bronson, Jr.	Nehemiah Lewis, Jr.
Russell Bardslee.	Noah Linsley.
Samuel Blackman.	Benjamin Mitchell.
Irada Barns.	Edmond Pearce.
Israel Bradley.	Nathan Pearce, Jr.
Oliver Chatfield.	Asa Pearce.
Burton Canfield.	Truman Pearce.
Moses Down, Jr.	Frederick Perry.
Weight Down.	Turner Sek.
John Griswold.	Amos Treat.
Daniel Hinman.	Beman Warner.

The rate bill for 1804 was the first that was made out in dollars and cents. It reads as follows :

Society Rate Bill of $3\frac{1}{2}$ cts on the Dollar granted Dec^m 30, 1803 & to be paid by the 8th of April, 1804, to Aaron Lewis, Collector. Copy for Society Treasurer.

Gideon Allen.....	\$0.42
Lemuel Blackman.....	7.46
Phinehas Barns.....	8.63
Samuel Botsford.....	4.65
Daniel Bassett.....	9.89

Andrew Bostwick.....	2.99
Israel Bradley.....	0.60
Elisha Bradley.....	5.56
Noah Brownson, Jr.....	1.88
Ira Barns.....	1.05
Oliver Chatfield.....	5.66
Burton Canfield.....	3.40
Joel Crane.....	2.29
Nathan Downs.....	7.19
Aaron Downs.....	9.65
Wait Downs.....	3.86
Benjamin Downs.....	6.03
Philo Downs.....	4.18
David Dayton.....	3.72
Joel Downs.....	2.10
John Edmond.....	5.99
John P. Edmond.....	0.48
Bennet French.....	16.25
Obadiah R. Guthrie.....	8.07
Wait Hinman.....	7.67
Titus Hinman.....	3.94
Benajah Hill.....	3.29
Isaac Hill.....	2.94
Jonathan Hinman.....	7.89
Justus Johnson.....	6.15
Amos Johnson.....	11.17
Elijah Jourdon.....	1.88
Jehu Johnson.....	3.36
Nehemiah Lewis.....	1.96
Aaron Lewis.....	2.70
Benjamin Mitchel.....	7.53
Elezer Mitchel.....	6.26
Warren Mitchel.....	19.23
Simeon Mitchel.....	20.78
Amos Mitchel.....	12.28
Nathan Pearce.....	8.75
Nathan Pearce, Jr.....	7.05
Elijah Pearce.....	6.22
Benjamin Pearce.....	8.64
Titus Pearce.....	10.89
John Pearce.....	3.06
Truman Pearce.....	3.94
John Platt.....	12.33
William Platt.....	8.94
Isaac Platt.....	4.03
Frederic Perry.....	5.20
Levi Peck.....	3.88
Stephen Platt.....	8.28
Nathan Ramsey.....	4.95

Turner Seelee	2.80
Johnson Sperry.....	2.45
David Sanford.....	2.10
Amos Treat.....	4.48
Bethuel Treat.....	10.35
Sarah Treat.....	0.41
Bethuel Treat, Junr.....	6.53
R. & Jonathan Treat.....	1.63
Susannah Treat.....	0.13
Johnson Wheeler.....	10.94
Samuel Wheeler.....	0.76
Newton Wheeler.....	0.78
Seth Wheeler.....	0.40
Noah Wheeler.....	3.15
Anad Wheeler.....	0.72
Nathan Wheeler.....	0.40
Bethuel Ward.....	4.50
Asher Ward.....	3.19
Seth N. Wheeler.....	5.48
Daniel Warner.....	1.05
Avry Ward.....	2.59

Those names under written are of the denomination calling them selves Babbtiss.

Moses Downs.....	\$4.29
Reuben Jennings.....	6.04

Total.....\$401.26

The list for 1806 contained the following additional names:

Isaac Allin.	Nehemiah Lewis, Jr.
Joseph Baldwin, Jr.	Elijah Lewis.
Gamaliel Benham.	Reuben Pearce.
Samuel Curtiss, Jr.	Jabez Prindle.
Joel Crane.	Benjamin Russell.
Nathan Clark.	Turner W. Seelye.
Isaac Curtiss.	Robard Treat.
Abigail Downs.	David B. Tyrill.
John Edmond, Jr.	Anna Wheeler.
Gideon S. Hubbel.	Bethuel Ward.
Asa Hicock.	Samuel J. Wyman.

REPAIRING THE CHURCH.

Whereas it has become necessary for the Inhabitants of the Society of Southbritain to repair their Meeting House and as taxing has become grievous and often makes uneasiness in Society, therefore for the peace of Society we the subscribers do agree and bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators,

&c., to pay unto the Treasure of said Society the several sums annexed to our names by the first day of Jan., 1825, for the purpose of repairing said Meeting House, and if any surpluss remains after making thorough repairs on the out side of the Meeting House, that is to say, build from Six to Eight feet wide across the east end of the Meeting House and build a steeple to project out far enough to make in the whole Eleven or twelve feet from the old House, cover the roofs and lower them if it is thought best, shut up the front door and side across it, repair the other siding and paint the outside of the House & Steeple and make all the repairs on the out side that was proposed at the last society Meeting agreeable to the vote of the society, to be laid by a committee to be appointed by said Society to make repairs, then what remains, if any there be, to be disposed of at direction of said Society, this subscription to be binding on subscribers, provided Nine Hundred Dollars is subscribed and Society votes to except it and make said repairs, as witness our hand.

Southbritain, Jan. 14th 1824.

Burton Canfield.....	\$75.00
Obadiah R. Guthrie.....	40.00
Anne Mitchel.....	20.00
Elisha Bradley.....	40.00
Benj ^m Mitchel.....	50.00
Elliot Bardsly.....	25.00
John Platt.....	50.00
Merton Downs.....	20.00
Henry Averill.....	40.00
Truman Pearce.....	25.00
Charles Thompson.....	10.00
Bethuel Treat.....	40.00
Samuel Wheeler.....	15.00

The foregoing names was copied from another subscription and was not writter here as subscribers to this paper.

Warren Mitchel.....	\$60.00
Gamaliel Bonham.....	10.00
(Burton Canfield, five dollars of) (it per order of Titus Pearce, Jr.)	30.00
Benj ^m Mitchel.....	25.00
Elliot Beardsley.....	10.00
Noah Smith.....	30.00

{Joel Down, to be paid}	10.00
{in boarding workmen.}	
Samuel Botsford.....	20.00
{Sam ^l S. Botsford, to be}	5.00
{paid in carting lumber.}	
Gallaway Peters.....	10.00
Anna Mitchel.....	5.00
{Gamaliel Bonham, to be}	5.00
{paid in painting.}	
{Horace Phelps, (?) to be}	5.00
{paid in smithwork.}	

THE CONTRACT FOR BUILDING.

This may certify that we, Winton & Hall, Carpenters & Joiners, on the one part, And Warren Mitchel, Burton Canfield, Obadiah R. Guthrie, Perry Averill and David Platt, on the part of the Society, as a building Committee, appointed by the Society to Build a meeting house for the Presbyterian Congregational Society in Southbrtain, Do enter into & make the following Contract to build a house in form & size hereinafter described, with liberty on the part of the society to make such alterations in the house as may be thought by the said Committee to be advisable and to their satisfaction, and the s^d alterations if any are made to add or deduct from the price to be paid to the s^d Winton & Hall for their work, provided the alteration makes more or less work for them as the case may be.

The house to be built Fifty feet in length and Forty in width. The posts to be Twenty five feet long. The Steeple at bottom to be Twenty six feet wide and to project out from the body of the house seven feet and to be fourteen feet square above the horizontal Cornish and to rise not less than six not more than seven feet above the ridge of the house to the Deck and to be proportioned accordingly, like Derby Steeple, except that it is to be inclosed like that in Warren instead of standing on pillars, To have three doors to go into the steeple & one in the back end of the house.

The windows to be in number and size like those in Derby meeting house with one additional window in the partition back of the pulpit—and two in the Gable end. The Cornices to be in Ionic order or like those in Warren, under the eaves & on each end of the house. The house to be covered with pine. The shingles on the roof not to be laid out more than five inches, the roof to rise one third lacking four inches.

The house to have two inner doors on the lower floor & two in the gallery. Two set of stairs to go up in the steeple to the galleries & other stairs as many as are necessary to go up to the bell chamber.

The Pulpit in front or Steeple end like that in Derby, to be built in the same Style with like stairs. The Galleries to be like those in Derby except that the partition back of the Pulpit is to be carried clear up and there are to be five spaces to go from the front seat back to the outside space.

The floors in the house to be laid with oak lined and to be plained in the aisles & to rise one half an inch in a foot. To have two aisles on the lower floor, four feet wide each. Slips to be like those in Derby & the floor of the slips raised 4 inches above the aisles, a Globe arch over head like that in Derby. If we have Capitals on the posts under the Galleries the Society are to provide them.

The house to be painted on the outside & inside. The old meeting house to be taken down and so much of the timber & boards as will answer, to be worked into the new one.

We the s^d building Committee do agree on the part of the Society to provide all the Materials for building s^d house and deliver them near the spot where the house is to be built.

That is to say we the s^d Committee do agree to deliver all the timber except such old timber as will answer and if we deliver it as it comes from the forest the s^d Winton & Hall are to have the Chips &

if we deliver a great part of it sawn the s^d Winton & Hall are to make a deduction in the price of their work. And we the s^d Committee do also agree to provide pine siding or clapboards, boards, plank & shingles as many as may be necessary including what can be got out of the old house that will answer to work into the new one, also a supply of oak boards and lining boards for floors, window glass, nails, oil & paints, &c., and board the s^d Winton & Hall & their workmen while they are doing the work, but find no spirits to be carried to the frame except for raising the house.

And we also agree to take out all the pews, seats, floor boards, windows & window frames from the old house, draw the nails from the old timbers & take care of the old covering after the s^d Winton & Hall have taken them down, find spirits for raising the new house & men to assist the s^d workmen in raising it.

And We the s^d Winton & Hall do agree on our part to do all the Carpenter & Joiner work except what is specified to be done by the committee and to prepare the paints & paint the house, going over it with paint at least three times. Excepting also the foundation of the house, lathing & plastering.

And we do agree to do every part of the work well & upon honor. We also

agree to go to Hartford or any other place where the s^d building Committee shall direct and pick out all the pine lumber, give a bill or draft of the timber, go into the forest & look out the most difficult sticks and take down the old house after the Society have done their part as before stated.

We also agree to begin the work on or before the first day of April next & finish it by the first of January next, for the sum of Six hundred and Ninety five Dollars.

And we the s^d building Committee do agree on the part of the Society, provided the work be done and well done in a workmanlike manner by the first of January next, to pay unto the s^d Winton & Hall Six hundred and ninety five Dollars one half by the first of January, 1826, and the other half by the first of January, 1827, with interest on the last payment from January, 1826.

We do agree and bind ourselves to fulfil the foregoing Contract, As witness whereof we hereunto set our names this 9th day of February, A. D. 1825.

WARREN MITCHEL, OBADIAH R. GUTHRIE, BURTON CANFIELD, PERRY AVERILL, DAVID PLATT,	}	Committee on the part of the Society.
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WINTON & HALL,	}	Carpenters & Joiners.
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THE CHURCH RECORDS, 1799 TO 1804.

RECORDED BY REV. MATHIAS CASIER.

Members Uniting and Removing, Etc.

"December 22d, 1799. Sabbath day—The church being met together for public worship, voted that Deacon Solomon Seward and his wife, formerly living in this place, and members of this church in good standing, be recommended as such to the Communion of any church of Christ where God in the course of his providence shall call them to reside."

1800, Jan. 12, Jonathan Sperry received on profession of faith.

The wife of Matthew Hungerford, nee Rachel Truesdell, who joined the church in South Britain May 19, 1776, was recommended to the church in Harwinton Feb. 9, 1800.

A letter of dismissal was granted to Moor Gibbs and his wife Patience Oct. 12, 1800.

Warren Mitchell was elected a deacon Aug. 9, 1801, in place of Deacon Eleazer Mitchell, who "desired to be excused from serving as a deacon any longer."

Noah Tuttle, Jr., was recommended to the church in Castleton, Vt., Sept. 27, 1801.

Asa Hikok was recommended to the church in West Britain, Jan. 3, 1802.

Ruth Parks, "who lives in Scipio," was granted a letter of recommendation Feb. 28, 1802.

Mercy Allen, wife of Gideon Allen, was received from the Southbury church Mar. 7, 1802.

Lydia Cozier, wife of Matthias Cozier, was received from the church at Pelham, Mass., Mar. 21, 1802.

Asa Cogswel and his wife were recommended to the church in Woodbury May 2, 1802.

Jonathan Sperry and wife were recommended to the church in West Britain June 6, 1806.

BAPTISMS.

1799.

May 19, Cyrus Gilson, son of Mr. Bostick.

June 23, Olive, daughter of Wm. Platt.

Aug. 4, Anne, dau. of Warren Mitchell.

Sept. 8, Rexford, son of Jonathan and Patty Sperry.

Oct. 13, Charles Willis, son of Isaac Hill.

1800.

Jan. 11, Jonathan Sperry, an adult.

Sept. 24, Harriet, daughter of Capt. Amos and Ruth Mitchell.

Oct. 17, Samuel Smith, son of Samuel and Currence Botsford.

1801.

Feb. 8, Robinson, son of Jonathan and Betsey Hinman.

Feb. 10, Zima Bradley, infant son of Jonathan Sperry.

Mar. 30, Hannah, Justis and Louisa, all under 12 years of age, children of Asa Hickox.

Apr. 26, Roxa, daughter of Noah Tuttle, Jr.

July 17, Elizabeth Anne, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Anne Hill.

1803.

Feb. 12, infant son of Samuel Hoadley of Woodbury.

May 13, Sophia, daughter of Isaac Hill.

June 19, Eunice Minerva, daughter of Seth Noble and Olive Wheeler.

July 31, Nancy Pamelia, daughter of Warren Mitchell.

Aug. 21, Lydia Maria, daughter of Matthias and Lydia Cozier.

MARRIAGES.

1799.

June 23, Deacon Isaac Curtiss and the widow Clark.

Nov. 3, Geo. Stancliff and Margaret Squire.

Nov. 25, John Percy of Woodbury and Polly Pond of Southbury.

Nov. 27, Asa Squire of Rutland, Vt., and Mary Ann Wheeler of South Britain.

1801.

Mar. 1, Benjamin Mitchel and Hannah Pearce.

Mar. 15, A. Gibson Scott of Huntington and Susan Wheeler of South Britain.

June 14, Henry Lum and Patience Wakelee, both of Southbury.

Aug. 30, Nathan Clark and Comfort Treadwell, both of South Britain.

Dec. 23, Noah T. Wheeler of South Britain and Betsey Tousey of Newtown.

1802.

Apr. 1, Burton Canfield and Polly Mitchell.

April 26, Jarad Way of Newhaven and Mabel Norton of New Milford.

July 15, Marquis Vⁿ Knap of Middletown and Polly Andres of Woodbury.

Aug. 1, Benjamin Hendrix and Deborah Hurlburt, both of South Britain.

Aug. 11, Irad Barns and Hannah Chitsey, both of South Britain.

1803.

Feb. 14, David P. Bearrs of Danbury and Phebe Foot of Southbury.

Feb. 17, Amos Squire Baldwin of Southbury and Anne Gilbert of Huntington.

June 9, Ezra Mallery and Currence Coe, both of South Britain.

1804.

Jan. 1, David Raymond of Fairfield and Rebecca McCarocan of South Britain.

Jan. 1, Simeon Hinman and Eunice Botsford, both of Southbury.

Jan. 2, Aaron Lewis and Susan Treat, both of South Britain.

BURIALS.

1799.

Nov. 2, Comfort Edmond, wife of John Edmond.

1800.

Jan. 12, Prudence Hawley, wife of Richard Hawley, aged 62.

Feb. 6, Justice Hicok, aged 85.

Feb. 6, Eleazar, son of Capt. Amos and Ruth Mitchell.

Apr. 27, Infant son of Philo and Hannah Down.

Apr. 30, Samuel Pearce, aged 43.

May 3, Infant son of Alfred Treat.

Sept. 19, a son (aged 7 years) of Wait Garrett, who lives over the line in Oxford.

Oct. 22, Sarah, wife of Gideon Allen, died 21st.

1801.

Mar. 18, Son of Benajah Hill, aged 4 years.

June 18, Solomon Dart, aged 18.

July 26, Son of Amos Johnson, aged 2½ years.

Aug. 8, Asa Wheeler.

Nov. 22, Solomon Johnson's wife, aged 41 years.

Dec. 30, Old Mr. Kimberley.

1802.

Feb. 3, Russell, son of Elisha Pearce of Woodbury, aged 2 years.

Feb. 7, Wm., son of Jehu Johnson, aged 12 years.

Mar. 20, wife of Alexander Sperry.

April 10, Edmond Pearce, aged 24.

Nov. 14, Cyrus Pearce.

Dec. 12, Agur Wheeler, aged about 48 years.

1803.

Mar. 17, Samuel Dean, aged 78. in the in the bounds of Woodbury.

Apr. 18, Zerah Wheeler, aged 14.

June 1, Nathana Kimberly, aged 22, a daughter of Capt. Bethuel Treat's wife by a former husband.

1804.

July 11, Rebecca Wheeler, aged 88.

GENEALOGIES.

GUTHRIE.

This sirname was derived from lands in Forfarshire, Scotland, says Anderson's "Scottish Nation". In 1299, after Sir William Wallace had resigned the guardianship of Scotland and retired to France, the northern barons sent Squire Guthrie to Wallace to request his return. Embarking at Aberbrothwick, he landed at Sluys, whence Wallace and his retinue were conveyed back to Scotland, landing at Montrose. In 1348 Adam de Guthrie was witness to a decret of the burgesses of Dundee. According to Crawford in "Lives of Officers of State" the Guthries held the barony of Guthrie by charter from David the Second.

Master Alexander Guthrie of Guthrie was witness to a charter granted by Alexander Seaton, Lord of Gordon, to William, Lord Keith, afterward Earl Marischal, dated 1st August, 1442, and he obtained the lands of Kincoldrum, in the barony of Lower Leslie and sherrifdom of Forfar, to himself and Marjorie Guthrie, his spouse, by charter dated 10th April, 1457, from Lord Leslie of Leven. He had three sons.

The eldest, Sir David Guthrie of Guthrie, armor bearer to King James the Third, and sherrif of Forfar in 1457, was constituted Lord Treasurer of Scotland in 1461. He continued in that office until 1467, when he was appointed comptroller of the exchequer. In the following year he was nominated lord register of Scotland, and in 1472 he was one of the Scottish commissioners who met the English commissioners at Newcastle April 25th and concluded a truce. In 1473 he was appointed Lord Chief Justice of Scotland. He founded and endowed a church at Guthrie.

His eldest son, Sir Alexander Guthrie, with his eldest son, three sons-in-law, and a nephew, fell at Flodden in September, 1513. Sir Alexander's second son, also named Alexander, obtained from his father the lands of Kincoldrum and was the greatgrandfather of David Guthrie, who inherited the estate of Guthrie. George, the third son, received the lands of Kinreich as his portion. John Guthrie, of Hilton, the youngest son, was the ancestor of John Guthrie, Bishop of Moray.

Sir Alexander was succeeded by his grandson, Andrew Guthrie, who married a daughter of Gardyne of Gardyne, and had a son, Andrew Guthrie of Guthrie, one of the barons who subscribed the articles agreed upon in the General Assembly on July 25, 1567, for the support of the reformed religion in Scotland. He was also one of those who the same year signed the bond for upholding the authority of the young king, James the Sixth.

His eldest son, Alexander Guthrie of Guthrie, was one of the twentyfive gentlemen pensioners appointed to attend the king. He was followed by his sons Alexander and William, and in 1638 John Guthrie, Bishop of Moray, succeeded to the Guthrie lands. His daughter Berthia married in 1647 Francis Guthrie of Gagie, who in consequence became possessed of the lands of Guthrie, and in his line they have continued ever since.

In 1680 John Guthrie, who had been in business with his brothers Robert and James, in iron manufacturing, at Edinborough, Scotland, withdrew from the partnership and removed to Ulster county, Ireland, where he married. About 1700 he came to Boston and thence to Washington, Litchfield county, Conn., and engaged in iron work. He died there in 1730 leaving four sons, of whom the fourth was John.

JOHN GUTHRIE, son of John of Washington, came to Stratford and married Abigail Coe in June, 1727. One record says, he came from Durham and another that he married a lady name Cane, in Litchfield. The births of five of his children are recorded in Stratford and two in Southbury, whither he removed some time between 1734 and 1744. Children:

John, b. in Stratford Feb. 25, 1728; d. same day.

James, b. in Stratford in July, 1729.

John, b. in Stratford in December, 1730.

William, b. in Stratford in April, 1732.

Joseph, b. in Stratford in June, 1734.

Ephraim.

Ebenezer.

Mary.

Abigail.

Sarah, b. in Southbury April 30, 1744.

Lydia, b. in Southbury July 16, 1746.

CAPT. EBENEZER GUTHRIE of Southbury, son of John and Abigail, married Hannah Richards Mar. 26, 1767. The following inscriptions from the White Oak cemetery, Southbury, give particulars

regarding Mr. Guthrie and his wives which were not found recorded elsewhere.

In Memory of EBENEZER GUTHRIE Who died September 1, 1825, in the 85 year of his age.

In Memory of Mrs. Hannah Guthrie, wife of Capt. Ebenezer Guthrie, who Departed this Life June the 30th, A D 1792 in the 57th year of her age.

In Memory of Sarah Guthrie; 2d wife of Capt. Ebenezer Guthrie; who died July 3, 1838, aged 95 years.

Ebenezer had sons William and Obadiah R.

OBADIAH RICHARDS GUTHRIE of South Britain, son of Capt. Ebenezer, m. Beersheba Howe, of Saratoga, N. Y., Mar. 1, 1797. Children:

Sally, b. Dec. 23, 1797; d. aged 44 years.

William, b. Apr. 7, 1800; res. South Britain.

Albert, m. Miss Buckingham of Oxford.

Ebenezer, m. Harriet Edmonds.

John B., m. Eliza Downs.

Hannah, m. Ira Bradley.

Beersheba, wife of Obadiah R. Guthrie, joined the Congregational church in South Britain in 1812. She died Aug. 18, 1853, aged 79. Her name was sometimes entered in the records as Barsheba, Barsha and Barshe.

EBENEZER GUTHRIE, 2d, son of Obadiah R. Guthrie, m. Harriet Edmonds Feb. 26, 1827. Children:

Hubert D.

Warren W.

HUBERT D. GUTHRIE, son of Ebenezer, 2d, m. Harriet E. —, and had four children b. in the town of Southbury:

A daughter b. June 28, 1863.

A daughter b. Feb. 14, 1866.

A daughter b. Dec. 4, 1867.

A son b. Nov. 8, 1869.

He emigrated to Iowa Point, Kansas.

JOSEPH GUTHRIE, son of John and Abigail, m. 1st, Mrs. Carey; 2d, Mrs. Curby, nee Hand; 3d, Mrs. Cogshell. He was one of those who marched to the relief of Fort William Henry, near Lake George, in August, 1757. In 1795 he emigrated to Ohio. His children were Abigail, Truman, b. Jan. 14, 1765; Stephen, b. Jan. 10, 1768; Elias, Joseph and Amy.

JAMES GUTHRIE, son of John and Abigail, m. Abigail Betts July 17, 1755. Children:

Samuel, b. May 22, 1756.

James, b. Nov. 19, 1757.

WM. GUTHRIE, son of Obadiah and Beersheba, res. South Britain, m. Aug. 25, 1842, Polly Ann, daughter of Newton Tuttle, of Southbury. He was first selectman, town treasurer and member of the General Assembly in 1856. He died Dec. 18, 1865, aged 65. He had but one child who died soon. His wife Polly died May 19, 1871, aged 69.

JOHN B. GUTHRIE m. Eliza Downs Nov. 16, 1834, and had one son, deceased. Mrs. Eliza Guthrie d. Dec. 28, 1876, aged 60.

CAPT. TRUMAN GUTHRIE, son of Elias and Phebe Guthrie, was born in Washington, Ct., Feb. 24, 1791; lived in Southbury, was a music teacher. He married Anna, daughter of Adam and Rosanna (Han) Wagner, Dec. 15, 1811. He died in Baltimore in 1813, leaving a son, Adam W., of Southbury.

ADAM W. GUTHRIE of Southbury, son of Truman and Anna Guthrie, m. Jeanette Pulford Oct. 23, 1834. She died April 10, 1888, aged 70. Children:

Helen A., b. Apr. 27, 1835; m. Reuben Pierce of South Britain Dec. 11, 1857.

Caroline A., b. Oct. 17, 1837; m. Charles Smith, residence Cleveland, Ohio.

Charles A., b. Aug. 31, 1843, residence Cleveland, Ohio.

Henry Frank, b. July 15, 1852; deceased.

ALBERT GUTHRIE of Southbury, son of Obadiah and Polly Ann Guthrie, m. Nancy Buckingham of Oxford Dec. 24, 1825. They had a daughter who m. a Mr. Hurd, a second daughter who m. a Mr. Jordan of New Haven, and a son who lived in New York city.

GEN. WARREN W. GUTHRIE, son of Ebenezer and Harriet Guthrie of Southbury, was an attorney-at-law in Seymour in 1856, went west and served in the War of the Rebellion, is now living at Atchison, Kansas. One of his sons graduated at the New York University and one at Yale.

James Guthrie of Washington, Ct., m. Maria Way Oct. 25, 1821.

Eben Guthrie of South Britain died Sept. 2, 1881.

Mary Guthrie and James Calhoun were married in Washington, Ct., Dec. 31, 1755.

Sally Givens, wife of John Guthrie, d. in Southbury, Jan. 29, 1812, aged 42.

Gen. Warren W. Guthrie, attorney-at-law, m. Julia Fowler Dec. 21, 1863. He was a member of the Kansas Senate in 1877 and was long prominent in the affairs of the state. Children:

William F., b. Nov. 12, 1864; m. Cornelia Quade in 1890.

Frank L., b. Jan. 15, 1866; m. Alice Denning in 1888.

Mary, b. Mar. 2, 1869; m. Arthur E. White in 1896.

Warren W., Jr., b. July 22, 1871.

Theodore F., b. March 4, 1874.

Gilbert, b. Sept. 8, 1877.

HUBERT D. GUTHRIE m. Harriet E. Stilson June 10, 1857. He was one of the proprietors of the South Britain woolen mill. Children, all born in South Britain: (received too late for page 35.)

Florence A., b. Nov. 30, 1858.

Carrie S., b. Aug. 9, 1861.

Hattie E., b. June 21, 1863.

Roselia, b. Feb. 14, 1866.

Ada Etta, b. Nov. 28, 1867.

Andrew W., b. Nov. 10, 1869.

ANNA GUTHRIE, of Southbury m. Feb. 11, 1822, Michael Horace Tuttle. She d. Feb. 23, 1824.

Caroline A. Guthrie m. Charles B. Smith May 13, 1857.

Hannah Guthrie m. Roderick Stiles Feb. 24, 1861.

Lois Guthrie m. Moses Asa Johnson Nov. 19, 1787.

Ann Guthrie, daughter of Obadiah R., m. Ira Bradley Nov. 24, 1836.

Of the children of Obadiah R. Guthrie, (p. 35,) Albert was born Feb. 8, 1802; Ebenezer Apr. 7, 1804; Hannah or Ann, July 2, 1811; John B. June 1, 1815.

ABELARD GUTHRIE, a grandson of James Guthrie of Stratford, was a missionary to the Wyandotte Indians and married Quindaro, who at that time was the chieftainess of the Wyandottes. Both died near Wyandotte, now Kansas City, before the admission of the state into the Union, and their children went to the Indian Territory with the Wyandottes when they sold their reservation at the mouth of the Kansas river.

Ebenezer Guthrie, 2d, (p. 35,) lived in South Britain until his removal to Kansas.

JOHN GUTHRIE, of Woodbury purchased land in North Purchase in 1746, 1749 and 1751. In December, 1751, he also purchased a considerable tract of land on "Further Good Hill," for which he paid £120. In his will dated June 29, 1756, he names his wife, Susannah, and his children:

John, of Kent, the oldest son.

William and James, executors.

Joseph, Ephraim, Ebenezer.

Mary Calhoun.

Abigail, Sarah and Lydia Guthrie.

JAMES GUTHRIE, son of John and Abigail, see p. 36, moved to Lenox, Mass., where he enlisted for the Revolutionary War. In 1792 he moved to Sherburne, N. Y., where he died in 1804.

DR. SAMUEL GUTHRIE, son of James and Abigail Betts Guthrie, was born in Woodbury in 1756. He was also a Revolutionary soldier, enlisting from Lenox. He moved from Lenox to Brimfield, Mass., where he became a noted physician. He died in Brimfield in 1808.

DR. SAMUEL GUTHRIE, JR., son of Dr. Samuel and Sarah Guthrie, was born in Brimfield, Hampden Co., Mass., in 1782. He studied medicine with his father, afterward attending lectures at New York, and again at the University of Penn. in Philadelphia. He practiced medicine in Sherburne, Chenango Co., N. Y., where he was examining surgeon in the war of 1812. He removed to Jewettsville, a hamlet about one mile from Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., where he established a manufacturing laboratory. In this now historical laboratory as the *Encyclopædia Britannica* expresses it, "Samuel Guthrie, of America" produced Chloroform. Of this remarkable discovery his grandson, Ossian Guthrie, in his memoirs of Dr. Samuel Guthrie, says: "Dr. Guthrie's contributions to Silliman's Journal during the year 1831, describing new processes and new productions in his laboratory, occupied one-eighth of the volume of that year, and in regard to which Prof. Silliman editorially says: "I presume it was little suspected that such things were doing in a remote region, on the shore of Lake Ontario."

Again Prof. Silliman says in another mention of Dr. Guthrie, "I am impressed with admiration, both at his skill and intrepidity."

The honor of priority of discovery of Chloroform has become a matter of National interest, and has been variously awarded to Guthrie, in America, Soubeiran, in France, and Liebig, the cele-

brated German chemist. (See *Encyclopædia Britannica*.) Liebig and Soubeiran however did not publish anything in regard to the new discovery until nearly a year after Dr. Guthrie's first preparation and use of it, as shown by references to Silliman's *Journal*, Liebig's *Annalen*, and the *Annales de Chimie et de Physique*.

REVOLUTIONARY SERVICE.

Abraham Guthrie served Feb. 28, 1778, to Jan. 1, 1779.

John Guthrie enlisted from Danbury, in the 6th Company, 10th Regt., and served from May 12 to Dec. 13, 1775. He enlisted again Feb., '78, for three years, but was discharged June 10, '79.

James Guthrie enlisted from Danbury May 29, 1777, for three years, and was a pensioner in 1818.

Abel Guthrie enlisted July 1, 1780, in the 2d Regt., for six months, and was also in service from Jan., 1781, to Dec. 31, 1781.

Joseph Guthrie was appointed Ensign of the 10th Company of the 13th Regt., by the General Assembly, in May, 1775, and was among those who responded to the "Danbury Alarm" in April, 1777.

Truman Guthrie was in the service at New London in 1813-14 as a musician. He was mustered in Dec. 2, 1813, under Captain Brown, in the 37th infantry, and was discharged Dec. 2, 1814, on account of the expiration of the time for which he had enlisted.

ADAM W. GUTHRIE of Southbury, see p. 36, was appointed Captain of the 2d Company, 12th Regt., State Militia, May 22, 1842, by the General Assembly, "to take rank from the 13th day of September, 1841." The commission was signed by Gov. Chauncey F. Cleveland.

JAMES GUTHRIE, of Kentucky, 1792—1869, was a member of the Kentucky senate from 1831 to 1840, Secretary of the Treasury in Pierce's cabinet from 1853 to 1857, and U. S. Senator from 1865 to 1868.

PLATT.

CREST—London and Middlesex, a demi-lion rampant, ppr, between paws a plate. (Pl. 126, cr. 12.—Fairbairns Crests, Vol. 2.)

Coats of arms have been granted to six or more of the family from the time of Edward III, 1326, to the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

The name Platt is by some claimed to be of British origin, by others German, and by yet others as Norman, but to be beyond a doubt of the good old Anglo Saxon stock which has made England what it is, and of a family which for centuries has stood high in that nation, is honor enough.

The varied spelling of the name has included Platz, Plats, Platts and Platte, and in the Norman French Pradt, the significance in either case being an open, level piece of land.

RICHARD PLATT of Milford, came from England in 1638, but the following year he joined the Wepawaug settlement and in 1646 his name led the list of freemen or free planters of Milford and he was chosen a deacon of the church in 1669. Savage says he died in 1684 or 1685, and that he probably brought with him from England four children, Mary, John, Isaac and Sarah, and at Milford had bap. Epenetus, July 12th, 1640; Hannah, Oct. 1, 1643; Josiah, 1645; Joseph, 1649. His wife d. Jan. 24, 1676. Another says that two sons, Joseph, and Josiah, Sr., remained in Milford. He left by will a Bible to each of his nineteen grandchildren.

Among the coping stones of the beautiful memorial bridge over the Wepawaug river is a stone with this inscription:

DEACON
RICHARD PLATT,
OBIT 1684.
MARY, HIS WIFE.

This stone was placed there by one of his descendants, the late Prof. Johnson T. Platt, of New Haven.

Of the sons of Richard Platt, John went to Norwalk, Isaac and Epenetus to Huntington, L. I., and Josiah and John remained in Milford.

JOSIAH PLATT, 2d, son of Josiah, Sr., settled in Newtown and married Sarah Sanford Nov. 13, 1758. Children:

Hannah, b. Oct. 3, 1759; res. Newtown.

Nathan, b. March 3, 1761.

Isaac, b. Dec. 24, 1762; res. Newtown.

Louisa, b. May 28, 1765; m. — Mallory.

Amos, b. Jan. 12, 1768; lived in Southbury.

Jonas, b. Jan. 11, 1770.

NATHAN PLATT, son of Josiah, 2d, served in the war of the Revolution and afterward married Ruby Smith of Newtown, and later settled in the locality now known as Platt's Mills, near Waterbury, which has since been in the possession of the family. He died in Wallingford in 1845, but was buried in Waterbury. His children were—

Levi Smith, b. 1787, m. Patty Hawley of Danbury.

Alfred, b. April 2, 1789; lived at Plattsville.

Ely, b. July 3, 1793; d. at Norwich, Ct., in 1867

Almon, m. Alvina Allen of Waterbury Mar. 6, 1817.

Anner, unmarried, lived to the age of 79.

Leonard, b. in March, 1804, d. at Shrewsbury, N. J.

Sarah, m. Daniel Tuttle, d. at Kenosha, Wis.

Martha, m. Asahel Judd.

ALFRED PLATT, second son of Josiah, 2d, m. Irene Blackman of Brookfield, in 1814, and settled at what is now known as Plattsville. He had six sons, Niram B., b. in 1818, d. in Waterbury Oct. 14, 1863; Chas. S., b. in 1820, moved to West Stockbridge, Mass., where he built the Rockdale Mills; Wm. S., b. in 1822, lived at Plattsville; Clark M., of Waterbury; Alfred Legrand, of Plattsville; and Seabury B., of Lakeville, Fla.

JONAS PLATT, 2d, of Milford, oldest son of Jonas Platt, 1st, had a son Richard who was a colonel and aid-de-camp to General Montgomery at the storming of Quebec, Dec. 31, 1775. He was the venerable marshal of the day when the remains of Gen. Montgomery were received in New York City and re-interred in front of St. Paul's church July 8, 1818; and he was for a number of years Commissary General of the State of New York.

JOSIAH PLATT, a deacon of the Congregational church in West Haven, had a son,

CAPT. NATHAN PLATT, of West Haven, who served in the War of 1812.

NATHAN PLATT, son of Capt. Nathan, married Mary Meloy, and had ten children.

DAVID PLATT of Orange, son of Nathan Platt, 2d, went to California in '52, returning in '54 to West Haven. In '56 he m. Melissa A. Shenehan, of New Haven, and had three daughters, Mary K., Sarah S. and Florence L.

DEACON JOHN PLATT of Norwalk, 1663, freeman in 1668, eldest son of Richard, m. Hannah Clark June 6, 1660, and had

John, b. June, 1664.

Josiah, b. Dec. 28, 1667.

Samuel, b. Jan. 26, 167⁹.

Joseph, b. Febr. 17, 167³.

Hannah, b. Dec. 15, 1674.

Sarah, b. May 20, 1678.

SAMUEL PLATT of Norwalk, son of Deacon John, m. June 18, 1712, Rebecca, dau. of Samuel Benedict of Danbury, and had but one daughter, Rebecca, b. April, 1713. He d. Dec. 4, 1713.

JOHN PLATT of Norwalk, prob. son of 1st John, m. May, 1695, Sarah, dau. of Ephraim Lockwood, and had

Sarah, b. Mar. 30, 1697.

Elizabeth, b. June 11, 1699.

John, b. Apr. 2, 1702.

Abigail, b. Feb. 12, 1708.

JONATHAN PLATT, m. Dec. 1, 1655, Elizabeth Johnson, made his will July 24, 1680, named w. Sarah, and son,

Joseph Platt of Milford, m. 1680, Mary, eldest dau. of Daniel Kellogg.

JOSEPH PLATT of Norwalk, son of John the 1st, m. Nov. 6, 1700, Elizabeth, dau. of Matthew Marvin, and had Elizabeth b. Dec. 2, 1701. His wife d. April 9, 1703, and he m. Jan. 26, 1704, Hannah, daughter of Rev. Thomas Hanford, had Hannah, b. Oct. 29, 1704; and Joseph, b. Sept. 9, 1716 (or possibly 1706.)

STEPHEN PLATT, 2d, of Milford m. Elizabeth Clark of Southbury Sept. 13, 1772, and they soon after made their home in South Britain and were received into church membership June 17, 1773. (See pages 9, 10.) Children:

Isaac Clark, b. June 11, 1774.

Andrew, bap. Jan. 12, 1777.

Elizabeth Ann, b. Jan. 12, 1779.

Hannah, b. July 4, 1781.

Clara, b. Apr. 3, 1784.

Joseph, b. Jan. 24, 1786.

Stephen Smith, b. Mar. 27, 1788.

MERRIT S. PLATT, son of Stephen S. and Sally Platt, lived in the valley known as Pierce Hollow, South Britain. He m. Maria S. ———, and had a son,

EVERETT S. PLATT, b. Feb. 16, 1858; res. South Britain; m. Edna R. Hine Sept. 14, 1886. Children:

Mary E., b. Nov. 21, 1887.

Irving S., b. Sept. 2, 1889.

STEPHEN S. PLATT, son of Stephen Platt, 2d, of South Britain, m. Sally ———, and lived in the "Purchase." Their children were—Merritt S.

Lavinia, m. ——— Parsons of Bridgeport.

Catharine, m. Calvin Fuller Jan. 5, 1846; d. in Middlebury.

Marietta, m. Calvin Fuller Aug. 28, 1848, d. in Chicago.

Emily, m. ——— Judd, d. in Waterbury.

Harriet E., m. Wm. Evans Feb. 9, 1863, lives in Chicago.

Laura, m. ——— Evans, lives in New York.

JOSEPH PLATT of South Britain m. Patty Holbrook, daughter of Capt. Abel Holbrook of Seymour, a soldier of the Revolution. He had a daughter—Esther Ann, b. May 15, 1823; m. Samuel John Stoddard of South Britain Oct. 18, 1841.

JOHN PLATT of South Britain m. Currence Pierce Jan. 25, 1781. Children:

Amiel, b. Nov. 30, 1781.

Amelia, b. Nov. 8, 1783; d. June 28, 1794.

David, b. Mar. 20, 1790.

WILLIAM PLATT m. Mercy Pierce Mar. 23, 1791. Children:

Simeon, b. Sept. 6, 1792.

Currence, b. Dec. 9, 1796.

Olive, b. May 5, 1799; m. John Pierce, Jan. 1, 1818.

SIMEON PLATT, son of William and Mercy Platt, m. Eliza Blackman Nov. 27, 1817. Children:

Polly, b. Oct. 27, 1818; m. Henry Sanford Nov. 12, 1844.

William, b. Apr. 23, 1820; d. Dec. 20, 1823.

Maria, b. Jan. 28, 1822.

Olive, b. June 27, 1823; m. Robt. T. Weeks Oct. 17, 1844.

Eliza Augusta, b. Mar. 4, 1825; m. Charles Treat Feb. 21, 1855.

Edward Arthur, b. Jan. 17, 1827.

EDWARD A. PLATT, son of Simeon and Eliza Platt, m. Ellen Barnes Nov. 24, 1853. Children:

Harriet, b. Feb. 1, 1855; m. Franklin D. Bradley Sept. 5, 1876.

William E., b. Dec. 19, 1857.

Jane Elizabeth, b. June 15, 1861.

AMOS PLATT, m. Hannah St. John of Norwalk July 22, 1790.
Children:

James, b. May 18, 1791; d. Apr. 8, 1792.

Sally, b. Apr. 8, 1793.

Alanson, b. Jan. 25, 1795.

Lydia, b. Apr. 12, 1797; m. Amos Candee July 26, 1828.

DAVID PLATT of South Britain, son of John and Currence Platt, m. 1st, Wealtha Smith, Nov. 30, 1812. She died Feb. 11, 1818. He m. 2d, Julia Northrup, Nov. 15, 1819. Children:

Wealthy Ann, b. July 12, 1816.

Lucy Amelia, b. Sept. 5, 1821; m. Stephen Hayes of Bethlehem Nov. 17, 1842.

Sidney Smith, b. Nov. 25, 1822; lived in the Purchase.

Laura Phinett, b. June 9, 1824; m. Samuel J. Averill of New Preston Dec. 3, 1844.

George Noyes, b. June 11, 1827; d. March 25, 1890.

Edna E., m. Dea. N. W. Mitchell of South Britain, Feb. 28, 1888.

Julia Henrietta, m. — Bennett of South Britain.

GEORGE NOYES PLATT, of South Britain, son of David and Julia Platt, was selectman of the town of Southbury for a number of years and in 1895 was elected representative to the General Assembly. He m. Lydia Ann Treat Jan. 30, 1850. Children:

Alfred Noyes, b. Sept. 7, 1851.

Edna Gertrude, b. Feb. 12, 1860; m. Fred E. Wyckoff Sept. 16, 1891. Their daughter, Lydia Treat Wyckoff, b. Feb. 19, 1896; d. Jan. 5, 1897.

ALFRED N. PLATT, of South Britain, son of George N. and Lydia A. Platt, m. Mary E. Beecher Dec. 16, 1891. Children:

George Noyes, b. Dec. 14, 1892.

Julia Elizabeth, b. Dec. 15, 1893; d. Apr. 28, 1895.

Alfred Noyes, Jr., b. Apr. 2, 1896.

SIDNEY S. PLATT of South Britain, son of David and Julia N. Platt, m. Jane E. Allen Oct. 28, 1847. Children:

Julia E., b. Oct. 2, 1848; m. George W. Mitchell June 18, 1872.

David Chester, b. in Bridgewater Oct. 22, 1849.

John W., b. Feb. 11, 1852; m. 2d Eliza T.

Sidney S., 2d, b. Mar. 13, 1854.

DAVID CHESTER PLATT, of South Britain, son of Sidney S. and Jane E. Platt, m. Emma Maria Downes Dec. 29, 1874. Children:

Eva Judith, b. Aug. 24, 1876.

John Henry, b. Sept. 20, 1880; d. Sept. 7, 1881.

Harry Downes, b. Aug. 21, 1885.

SIDNEY S. PLATT, 2d, of South Britain, son of Sidney S. and Jane E., m. Lillie S. Wentsch Dec. 31, 1885. Children:

Laura Ingersoll, b. Oct. 7, 1886.

John Raymond, b. Oct. 29, 1887.

Sidney Smith, b. July 23, 1889.

Christopher Wadsworth, b. June 2, 1892.

Dorothy Allen, b. Nov. 23, 1893.

Isaac Chester, b. Aug. 16, 1895.

Alice Lillian, b. Feb. 16, 1897.

ISAAC PLATT, son of Richard 1st, married Phebe Smith, in Milford, Mar. 12, 1640, and settled at Huntington, L. I., which Connecticut then claimed under the charter of 1662. He married again, in Huntington, Elizabeth Wood, and had six children:

Elizabeth, b. Sept. 15, 1665.

Jonas, b. Aug. 10, 1667.

John, b. June 29, 1669.

Mary, b. Oct. 26, 1674.

Joseph, b. Sept. 8, 1677.

Jacob, b. Sept. 29, 1682.

JONAS PLATT, son of Isaac and Elizabeth, married Sarah Scudder and had four sons—

Obadiah, settled in Fairfield, Ct.

Timothy, m. Margery Smith, in Fairfield, Aug. 22, 1728.

Jesse, remained in Huntington, L. I.

Isaac, 2d, of Huntington, L. I.

OBADIAH PLATT, of Fairfield, son of Jonas and Sarah, m. Mary Smith Aug. 10, 1722. Children:

Abel, b. Aug. 2, 1723.

Sarah, b. June 25, 1725.

Jonas, b. Oct. 9, 1727.

Obadiah, b. Aug. 8, 1729.

Ann, b. Nov. 5, 1731.

David, b. Sept. 15, 1734.

Mary, b. Jan. 7, 1736.

Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1739.

JONAS PLATT, son of Obadiah and Mary, was a soldier of the Revolution. He lived in Redding and Ridgefield and m. Elizabeth Sanford. Children:

John, bap. Feb. 5, 1752.

Daniel, bap. Aug. 11, 1754.

Eunice, bap. May 30, 1756.

Obadiah, b. May 17, 1758.

Isaac, b. Apr. 13, 1760.

JOHN PLATT, son of Jonas, enlisted May 12, 1775, in the Company of Capt. Joseph Smith of Newtown, in the 5th Regiment, and was discharged Dec. 3d. He again enlisted two days before the Declaration of Independence in Capt. Mills' Company, Col. Bradley's Regiment, and was taken prisoner at Fort Washington Nov. 16, 1776, but was released on parole and came home. He m. Elizabeth Parsons July 7, 1775. Children:

John, b. Feb. 21, 1776.

David, b. Aug. 31, 1778.

Ruth Ann, b. Mar. 30, 1782.

Betsey, b. May 8, 1790.

Daniel Gould, b. July 25, 1797.

HON. DANIEL G. PLATT of Washington, son of John and Elizabeth, was Judge of Probate from 1855 to 1857. He married Almira Hitchcock, Jan. 3, 1817. Children:

Orville, b. Mar. 11, 1822, died in infancy.

Orville Hitchcock, b. July 19, 1827.

Simeon H., b. Feb. 12, 1832.

HON. ORVILLE H. PLATT, son of Hon. Daniel G. and Almira Platt, of Washington, received an academic education, studied law at Litchfield, was admitted to the bar in 1849, and has since practiced law in Meriden. He was clerk of the State Senate in 1855-6, was Secretary of State in 1857, was a State Senator in 1861-62, and was a Representative in the State Legislature in 1864 and 1869, serving the latter year as speaker. He was elected to the United States Senate, as a republican, for the term beginning March 4, 1879, and has since been re-elected three times.

Ambrose Platt, of Southbury, m. Mary Ann Devonshire Jan. 1, 1843.

Andrew Platt d. Sept. 1, 1776.

Abigail Platt d. Sept. 11, 1776.

Amiel Platt d. May 9, 1778.

Abia Platt, 1st, m. Titus Pierce of South Britain Feb. 3, 1781.

Abiah Platt, 2d, m. Reuben Atwood, Feb. 26, 1804.

Elizabeth Platt m. Selah Galpin Mar. 5, 1823.

Eloisa Platt m. Erastus Pierce Feb. 13, 1833.

Ennice Platt m. Edward Barnes Feb. 13, 1824.

Garwood Platt m. Ruth A. Boyd Mar. 23, 1837.

Fowler M. Platt m. Catharine———and had a daughter Hannah
b. July 9, 1807.

Hannah Platt d. Mar. 13, 1776.

Isaac Platt m. Amy Barns Dec. 18, 1797. They had a son—
Clark, b. Jan. 5, 1799.

John T. Platt of Washington m. Sarah A.———and had a son,
John W., b. Nov. 23, 1855.

Lavinia Platt, 1st, m. Barnum Curtiss, Nov. 26, 1828.

Lavinia Platt, 2d, m. Minot D. Sherwood Nov. 12, 1840.

Philo T. Platt m. Jennette Tuttle Nov. 25, 1841.

Theron E. Platt of Southbury m. Mary E. Russell Nov. 26, 1873.

Wm. Platt m. Mary Pierce Mar. 23, 1791.

WAGNER.

DAVID WAGNER was the first of the name of whom mention is found in the Southbury records. It is probable that he came either from Holland or Germany with Michael Han, or Van Hahn, and others, about 1752. They came to New Haven and from there Mr. Wagner came to Southbury and m. Eleanor ———. The Southbury records indicate his nationality by referring to him as a German. The inventory of the estate of Eleanor Wagner was filed Jan. 3, 1775. David Wagner chose a guardian April 2, 1771, and Hannah and Elizabeth Sept. 6, 1774. As 14 was the age at which a choice of guardian was permitted, David would appear to have been born in 1757. There appears to have been at least four children:

David, m. Hannah Lewis, Jan. 7, 1790.

Adam, b. Feb. 5, 1759; d. June 1, 1817.

Elizabeth.

Daniel.

Cothren's History of Woodbury says David and Daniel Wagner served in the Revolutionary War, enlisting from Woodbury.

ADAM WAGNER of Southbury m. Rosanna Han, daughter of Michael Han, of South Britain, Nov. 11, 1789. Their children were:

Anna, b. Sept. 4, 1790; m. Truman Guthrie.

Minerva, b. Oct. 8, 1793; m. Adam Lum.

Ruth Cornelia, b. Feb. 23, 1801; d. May 2, 1885.

George A., b. 1807; d. Oct. 19, 1854.

Adam Wagner is mentioned in "Connecticut in the Revolution" as enlisting from Cornwall in the Second Battalion, raised in June, 1776, to reinforce Washington at New York. His time of service expired Dec. 25th, 1776. Whether he afterward re-enlisted does not appear, though it is probable that he followed the usual custom of those days, to return during the most inclement months of winter to the shelter and comforts of home, and re-enlist when hostilities were resumed in the spring. He was appointed Captain of the 5th Company, 13th Regiment, State Militia, Oct. 12, 1795, and in the War of 1812—14 went with his company to New London.

Rosanna Han Wagner, wife of Adam Wagner, d. Oct. 12, 1823. On her tombstone was inscribed these words, "Worthiest of the worthy and beloved by all who knew her worth." In her will dated Sept. 23, 1823, she gave her house and land adjoining to her son George, and other property to her daughters, Minerva Lum and Ruth Wagner, and to her grandson, Adam Guthrie.

GEORGE WAGNER of Southbury, son of Adam and Rosanna Wagner, m. Agnes Tomlinson, daughter of Simeon and Charity Tomlinson, of Squantuck, Mar. 20, 1828, and lived in the old Wagner homestead on Southbury street. He died Oct. 19, 1854, aged 47. Children:

William, moved to Ohio and d. unmarried.

Henry, b. in 1828, went to Cleveland, Ohio.

Marietta, m. — Shelton, of Vermillion, Ohio.

George A., b. Mar. 2, 1834, d. Aug. 11, 1835.

Vernon, went to Ohio, enlisted, deceased.

MINERVA WAGNER, daughter of Adam and Rosanna, m. Apr. 6, 1820, Adam Lum, of Southbury, b. Apr. 12, 1800. Children:

Babe, b. Apr. 1, 1821; buried Apr. 2, 1821.

Sarah Minerva, b. Sept. 16, 1822; m. Charles Wilcox of Milford, at the Gulf, and had one son, Hanford Wilcox, who m.

Annie —, and had three sons.

Jonathan, b. Mar. 3, 1825; lives in Iowa.

George, b. June 26, 1829? a mason, d. unmarried Feb. 23, 1865.

Mary Jane, b. Mar. 31, 1831, d. June 18, 1837.

Dwight, b. June 25, 1834; went to Iowa.

RUTH CORNELIA WAGNER, daughter of Adam and Rosanna, m. George Peck of Southbury Sept. 30, 1838. Children:

Herbert B., enlisted Aug. 15, 1862, in Co. I, C. V. H. A.; was discharged for disability Dec. 5, 1862. Re-enlisted Aug. 8, 1863, in Co. M, 1st C. V., and served until the close of the war; was mustered out Sept. 25, 1865.

Evalina, d. Oct. 10, 1867, aged 25 years.

BETSEY WAGNER and Nathan Stiles were married in South Britain June 24, 1782. They lived and died in Oxford. Children:

Simeon, b. Sept. 11, 1783, d. Mar. 6, 1810.

Lyman, b. Jan. 26, 1786; m., 2d, Electa Galpin; res. Southbury.

Eleanor, b. Feb. 14, 1789; m. Feb. 5, 1810, Isaac Treat of Oxford.

Nathan Henry, b. Sept. 30, 1792; m., 1, Sally Prindle; 2, Roxanna Sackett, res. and d. in Southbury.

Cynthia, b. Feb. 5, 1799; d. Aug. 2, 1809.

DAVID WAGNER, 2d, son of David and Eleanor, had three children——

Amarilla.

Marcus, d. in New Milford.

David, went south.

AMARILLA WAGNER of Southbury, daughter of David Wagner, Jr., m. Lewis Smith, brother of Samuel of South Britain, Mar. 11, 1834; and moved to Ohio. She afterward went to Knoxville, Tenn. Children:

Sarah, m. ———— Camp.

George, d. Mar. 22, 1861, aged 21.

Henry, d. Sept. 10, 1875, aged 32.

A daughter, d. in Jan., 1851, aged 7.

Jacob Wagoner and Rosanna Spike were married in Southbury Jan. 15, 1761. He died ante 1764. The inventory of his estate was filed Feb. 7, 1759, and allowance was made for the widow and for the care of a daughter, Rosanna, the only child, who was "aged ten months when it became fatherless."

Adam Wagner of New York City died Aug. 12, 1896, aged 60 years. He had lived at 172 East 93d st.

Peter O. Wagner of Fort Plain, N. Y., m. Jan. 8, 1861, Helen Eugenia Tuttle.—Tuttle Family, p. 260.

John Wagner of Milford was a Revolutionary pensioner in 1840. He was then recorded as 76 years of age, which would make 1764 the year of his birth.

Michael Waggoner of Mendon, N. J., a farmer, enlisted in the 5th Conn. Troop of Light Dragoons, Jan. 25, 1777. He is described as height 5 ft. 8 in., light complexion, gray eyes, light hair.

Averil V. Wagner of Ballstown enlisted June 1, 1780, for the war, and was in Capt. Kimberly's Company, 2d Regiment Connecticut Line, Feb. 1, 1783.

Evert Van Waggoner of Stamford is mentioned in "Connecticut in the Revolution" as serving in Col. Seth Warner's regiment from Dec. 23, 1779, to 1781.

Peter J. Wagner of New York was a member of Congress from that state from 1839 to 1841, and David D. Wagener was a member of Congress from Pennsylvania from 1833 to 1841.

The name was sometimes spelled Wagoner, Waggoner and Wagonner. In the Official Army Register of the Volunteer Force of the United States Army for the years 1861—65," there are mentioned eight Wagners, Adolph, Charles, Frank, Frederick, George, George E., Gustav, Henry C., and Philip H.; four Waggoners, J. A., John A., John S., and Wm. H.; one Wagoner, Levi P.; one Wagener, Oscar, all officers, and four with the prefix Van, viz: Lieut. Robert S. Van Wagner, Major Wm. Van Wagener, Lieut. Theodore E. Van Wagner, and Lieut. Cornelius Van Wagoner.

The following brief mention of another line of Wagners from the German Fatherland may be of interest here:

1—HEINRICH WAGNER of Schwaber, Wurtemberg.

2—MICHAEL WAGNER, son of Heinrich, b. in Michelfeld, Wurtemberg, June 24, 1723; came to Germantown, Pa., in 1749; moved to Frederick Co., Md., and acquired land there through Horatio Sharpe, fought in the Indian and Revolutionary Wars; died in 1795.

3—CHRISTIAN WAGNER, son of Michael, b. in Md. in 1768; d. at Libertytown, Md., in 1832.

BASIL WAGNER, son of Christian, b. 1806; d. in Baltimore in 1859.

MITCHELL.

The Mitchell family is of Scottish origin and is still prominent there. Among the eminent men of the family there have been Sir David Mitchell, naval commander in the reign of William III, appointed rear-admiral in 1693, knighted in 1694, and in 1698 commissioned to bring Peter the Great to England; Sir Andrew Mitchell, diplomatist, minister to Belgium in 1751, and ambassador to Prussia in 1753; Joseph Mitchell, dramatist and poet, 1684-1738; Sir Andrew Mitchell, Rear-Admiral, 1757-1806, to whom the Dutch fleet surrendered in 1799; and Sir Thomas Livingstone Mitchell, D. C. L., 1792-1855, the distinguished Australian explorer, of the family of Mitchell of Craigend. The crest of the family is a hand holding a pen; motto "Favente deo supero."

MATTHEW MITCHELL, the immigrant, was born in Southouram, Parish of Halifax, England, in 1590. He married Susan Butterfield April 16, 1616. In 1635 he came to America with his wife and five children, landing at Boston August 17. He spent the winter at Charlestown and in the spring of 1636 he moved to Concord and finally settled in Stamford. Trumbull, the historian, wrote of him as "one of the principal characters who undertook the great work of settling Connecticut, and were the civil and religious fathers of the colony, who formed its free and happy Constitution, were its legislators, and were some of the chief pillars of the church and commonwealth." He died in 1645. His children were—

Abigail, bap. April 26, 1618; d. in infancy.

David, bap. Nov. 14, 1619.

Sarah, bap. Oct. 14, 1621; m. Hon. Samuel Sherman.

Martha, bap. Oct. 26, 1623; d. Nov. 22, 1623.

Jonathan, bap. Dec. 19, 1624.

Susan, bap. Oct. 14, 1627.

Matthew, bap. July 5, 1629; d. Oct. 4, 1629.

Hannah, bap. June 26, 1631.

DAVID MITCHELL, son of Matthew, residence Stratford, had four children:

Matthew, settled in Southbury ante 1682.

John, settled in Woodbury.

Nathan, one of the grantees of the town of Litchfield.
Abraham, settled in Woodbury.

DEA. MATTHEW MITCHELL, son of David of Stratford, m.
May —, who d. Jan. 18, 1711. He died in 1736. Children :
Mary, bap. Feb. 1678-9.
Jonathan, bap. July, 1683; d. in 1744.
Mary, bap. July, 1687; m. Jonathan Judson Aug. 22, 1711.
David, bap. Oct., 1692.

JONATHAN MITCHELL, son of Dea. Matthew and Mary, m. 1st,
Hannah —, who d. in 1732; 2d, Elizabeth —. Children:
Huldah, bap. in April, 1707.
Matthew, b. March 3, 1709.
Mary, b. May 17, 1711; d. young.
Mary, b. Sept. 13, 1713; m. Benjamin King Aug. 19, 1733.
Nathan, b. Sept. 8, 1715.
Hannah, b. Feb. 15, 1718; m. Ebenezer Hinman, Jan. 5, 1737.
Rhoda, b. April 4, 1720.
Susanna, b. Nov. 11, 1732; d. March 1, 1723.
Peter, b. Dec., 1723.
Simeon, b. May 17, 1725; d. young.
Susanna, bap. Oct. 30, 1726; d. Jan. 16, 1727.
Jonathan, b. Dec. 20, 1730; d. March 13, 1735.
Eleazer, b. Nov. 27, 1732.

DEA. ELEAZER MITCHELL, son of Jonathan and Hannah, was one of the volunteers who marched to the relief of Fort William Henry and was absent on that expedition about three weeks. This name appears as Capt. Mitchell in the list of names of those who marched from Woodbury and adjoining towns to New York by order of Gen. Washington. His home was half a mile from the Housatonic river, in the midst of the Pootatuck tribe of Indians, and a mile from the dwelling of any other white people. He m. Olive Hicock Oct. 5, 1758. Children :

Simeon, b. Sept. 5, 1759; d. June 9, 1814.
Eunice, b. May. 25, 1762; m. Wait Hinman Jan. 29, 1784.
Warren, b. Jan. 15, 1766; d. Jan. 30, 1842.
Amos, b. April 30, 1768; m. Ruth Curtiss, d. Nov. 13, 1807.
Benjamin, b. June 30, 1770; d. Aug. 13, 1771.
Olive, b. April 11, 1774; m. Seth N. Wheeler, Feb. 19, 1795.
Benjamin, b. April 22, 1777; d. Sept. 3, 1842.

SIMEON MITCHELL, son of Dea. Eleazer, served in the Revolutionary War in Capt. John Hinman's company, 13th regiment. In 1811 he represented the town of Southbury in the General Assembly. He married 1st, Hannah Johnson of South Britain, April 16, 1783. She died Jan. 28, 1790. He married 2d, Anna Strong of Southbury, Dec. 25, 1791. Children :

Polly, b. Dec. 7, 1783; m. Burton Canfield, of New Milford.

Olive, b. Dec. 3, 1785; m. Joel Crane, of Newark, N. J.

Betsey, b. Aug. 30, 1788; m. Lemuel Canfield, of New Milford.

DEA. WARREN MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Deacon Eleazer, was a member of the General Assembly in 1799, 1802, 1816 and 1818. He m. Millv Kimberly Nov. 19, 1587. Children :

Cyrus, b. July 11, 1790.

Sally, b. Mar. 12, 1795; m. Ebenezer Johnson of Southbury.

Anna, b. May 11, 1799; m. Anson Bradley of South Britain.

Nancy P., b. Mar. 26, 1803; unmarried; residence South Britain.

CYRUS MITCHELL of South Britain, son of Deacon Warren, m. Avis Charlotte Pierce Dec. 23, 1812. Children :

Ann Janet, b. Dec. 26, 1814.

Betsey, b. Sept. 22, 1817 ; d. Nov. 18, 1870.

Mary C., b. Feb. 17, 1820; m. Curtis A Downs Oct. 22, 1839.

Nelson W., b. May 29, 1825.

Cyrus Leroy, b. Sept. 8, 1828.

DEA. NELSON W. MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Cyrus, represented the town of Southbury in the legislature in 1883. He married Eliza E. Platt Feb. 28, 1849. Children :

Edward Leroy, b. Sept. 29, 1851.

Anna Charlotte, b. Feb. 3, 1856.

Charles W., b. Mar. 12, 1861.

CYRUS LEROY MITCHELL of South Britain, son of Cyrus and Avis, m. Sarah Hunt June 23, 1859. Children :

Walter Leroy, b. Apr. 28, 1862.

Frederick Warren, b. Dec. 18, 1863.

Robert Cyrus, b. Mar. 6, 1869.

BENJAMIN MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Deacon Eleazer and Olive Mitchell, m. Hannah Pierce Mar. 1, 1801. Children :

Erastus, b. Sept. 11, 1802; m. Judith Downs.

Elizur, b. Oct. 6, 1804; m. Cornelia M. Merwin.

Amos P., b. Aug. 3, 1807.

Phebe Ann, b. June 28, 1809; d. Feb. 12, 1828.

Oliver, b. Sept. 5, 1813.

Laura, b. April 15, 1817; d. June 11, 1834.

Julia A., b. June 10, 1822; m. Merwin Waller, Oct. 15, 1845.

Bennett, b. May 14, 1819; d. June 3, 1839.

ERASTUS MITCHELL of South Britain, son of Benjamin and Hannah, m. Judith A. Downs Jan. 6, 1829. Occupation, merchant. Children :

Ann Eliza, b. Mar. 13, 1830; d. Oct. 12, 1848.

Laura A., b. April 12, 1835.

ELIZUR MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Benjamin and Hannah, m. Cornelia M. Merwin, of Bridgewater, Jan. 18, 1829. Children :

Lawrence, b. Feb. 27, 1832.

Benjamin B., b. July 11, 1835; d. May 11, 1843.

David M., b. Jan. 8, 1837; d. Mar. 24, 1838.

Mary, b. July 6, 1839; d. Feb. 2, 1842.

David Merwin, b. Oct. 16, 1841.

Mary, 2d, b. Sept. 3, 1844.

Benjamin B., b. Dec. 5, 1846; d. Sept. 4, 1854.

DAVID MERWIN MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Elizur, m. Harriet J. Lemmon Dec. 29, 1869. Children :

Benjamin Merwin, b. Oct. 24, 1870; graduated at the Boston Institute of Technology in the Class of '93; is mechanical engineer for the Manhattan Rubber Co. at Passaic, N. J.

John Lemmon, b. July 5, 1873.

Charlotte Cornelia, b. Dec. 11, 1878.

OLIVER MITCHELL, of South Britain, son of Benjamin and Hannah, represented the town of Southbury in the legislature in 1850. He married Mary Griffin of Hampden Feb. 22, 1837. Child :

Benjamin Griffin, b. Jan. 4, 1838.

AMOS P. MITCHELL, son of Benjamin and Hannah, m. 1st Thalia M. Painter, in 1837; 2d Maria Tyler, May 30, 1850. Children:

Josephine, b. April 23, 1839.

William H., b. May 30, 1840, d. Aug. 15, 1841.

Henry B., b. Jan. 25, 1842.

George Walter, b. Mar. 12, 1846.

William E., b. Mar. 13, 1849, m. Elizabeth A. Nickerson of Bridgeport.

Julia Tyler, b. May 11, 1852.

JOSEPHINE MITCHELL, daughter of Amos and Thalia, m. Hermon Perry, June 16, 1864. Occupation, farmer. Residence, Southbury. Children :

Mary J., b. June 20, 1869 ; m. George A. Lamphier, of Watertown, May 4, 1898.

Charles M., b. April 12, 1874.

HENRY P. MITCHELL, son of Amos and Thalia, m. Phebe Stoddard, daughter of Samuel J. and Esther Ann Stoddard, Nov. 14, 1865. Residence in the "Purchase," South Britain. Children :

Thalia Esther, b. Sept. 19, 1866; m. Rev. Jesse Bailey, a graduate of Yale, who died at Denver, Col., leaving one child, Jesse, b. Aug. 3, 1894.

Martha, b. August 12, 1868; m. Wm. Wakeley, of South Britain, May 16, 1894.

Amos Pierce, b. Jan. 16, 1871, m. Bertha Cook Nov. 22, 1893.

Samuel Joseph, b. Jan. 10, 1876.

Henry Platt, b. April 9, 1879; d. Nov. 15, 1879.

Bessie Edith, b. Sept. 15, 1880.

Phillip Henry, b. Dec. 13, 1883.

GEORGE W. MITCHELL, son of Amos P. and Thalia, m. Julia Eliza Platt June 18, 1872. Occupation, merchant and farmer. Residence, South Britain. Children :

Abbie Evelyn, b. July 29, 1874 ; m. Charles P. Williams. Residence, South Britain. Children :

Evelyn M., b. June 26, 1897.

Rodger Perry, b. June 29, 1898.

Susie Winifred, b. April 19, 1877.

Hubert Allen, b. Aug. 15, 1881.

WILLIAM E. MITCHELL, son of Amos and Thalia, m. Elizabeth A. Nickerson, Nov. 9, 1870. Residence, South Britain. Children :

Arthur L., b. Mar. 7, 1877.

Edith E., b. Mar. 26, 1883.

Judith L., b. Jan. 13, 1889.

DAVID MERVIN MITCHELL, of South Britain, born in 1842. is a son of Elizur Mitchell, grandson of Benjamin Mitchell, great-grandson of Capt. Eleazer Mitchell of the French and Indian and Revolutionary Wars. Mr. Mitchell laid the foundation of a good education at the district school in his native village and afterward studied at

Hinman's Riverside Academy in Oxford and at the Lewis Academy in Woodbury. He is an honored member of the Congregational church in South Britain and his fellowtownsmen have showed their confidence and esteem for him by electing him to various public offices, including the highest in their gift. He has also been trustee for a number of important estates. He was elected selectman four years in succession, two of which he was first selectman, and he was elected by the highest republican majority ever given in the town. He was elected representative to the General Assembly in 1894. He was afterward nominated for State Senator and his wide reputation as a man worthy of that responsible position is shown by the fact that throughout the entire district outside of Waterbury he had a majority of over a hundred.

LIEUT. MATTHEW MITCHELL, was one of Capt. Ebenezer Downs' company that marched for the relief of Fort William Henry, near Lake George, in August 1757.

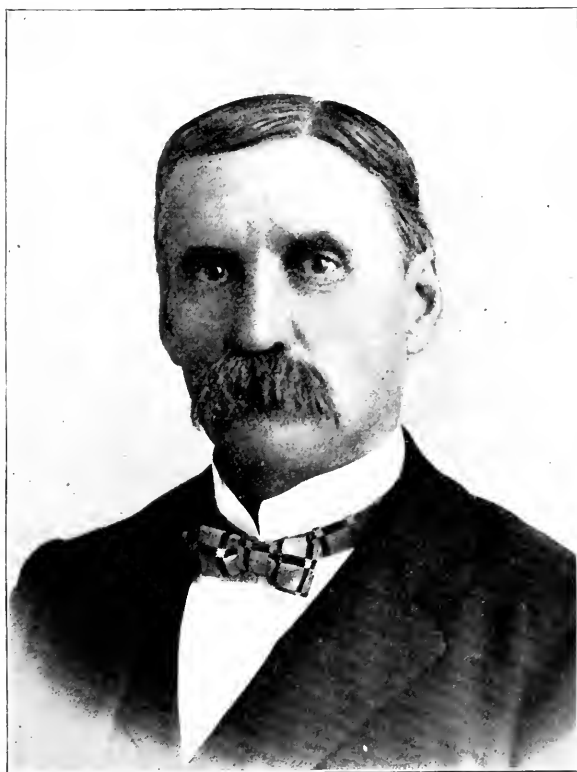
Reuben Mitchell was a member of the General Assembly in 1799, 1800, 1803, 1804, 1806 and 1808.

This family was well represented in the Revolutionary War, at least fourteen enlisting from Woodbury for service in the patriot army, viz: Abijah, Benaiah, Daniel, David, Capt. Eleazer, Jehiel, Capt. John, Nathan, Capt. Nathaniel, Ensign Reuben, Seth, Simeon, Thomas and William.

On the 5th of October, 1858, the 100th anniversary of the marriage of Dea. Eleazer Mitchell of South Britain with Olive Hickok of Southbury, their descendants held a festival at the old family mansion. At the time of their marriage the house was new, in the midst of the Pootatuck tribe of Indians, half a mile from the Housatonic River, and a mile from any other house occupied by white people. An account of this anniversary assembly, with a sketch of the Mitchell family of South Britain, was published in pamphlet form the following year.

ARMS AND CREST.

MITCHELL—Ar. a chev. gu. surmounted by another erm. betw. two maseles in chief az. and a laurel branch slipped in base vert. Crest—A garb vert.



HENRY P. MITCHELL.

BRAY.

STEPHEN C. BRAY, cooper, from Maine, was for some years a Baptist preacher but later in life became a Methodist minister. He married Hannah Hubbell of White Hills. Residence, Sandy Hill Four Corners, on the Housatonic, about half a mile south of Sandy Hill. He died at the old homestead Jan. 7, 1837, aged 71 years. His wife removed to White Hills, where she lived with her son Bennett, and died there Mar. 31, 1838. Children :

Lucius, removed to Canada.

Richard, d. in Cleveland, Ohio, leaving two daughters, Marietta, and Henrietta who m. David Noble of South Britain.

Stephen, d. in the passage home from Mobile.

William, lived in Bridgeport.

Anson, died in South Britain.

Judson, of Bridgeport, South Britain and Botsford.

Henry, removed to Bridgeport.

Bennett, removed to Bridgeport.

Nelson, removed to Bridgeport.

JUDSON BRAY, son of Stephen B. and Hannah Bray, removed to Bridgeport, but later returned to South Britain and with his brother Anson started the saddletree business in the old shop just back of Anson Bray's house, and continued the business there for some years. He m. Sarah Elizabeth Burritt of Stratford. He died at Botsford Mar. 29, 1889, aged 85. His wife d. Apr. 14, 1893, aged 90. Children, all born in Bridgeport :

Sarah Elizabeth.

Edward L., b. Oct. 23, 1830.

Elizabeth S., m. Oliver Somers Botsford, of Botsford, Ct., who d. Mar. 8, 1889. He was a merchant and was also station agent and postmaster for many years.

Cornelia F., d. aged 4 years.

Eliza F., lives at Botsford, Ct.

REV. EDWARD L. RRAY, son of Judson and Sarah E. Bray, removed from South Britain to Seymour in 1864. He worked in Smith's papermill, preaching twice a month in Middlebury and once each in Bethany and Seymour. He was admitted to the New York East Conference and preached at Cornwall Bridge, Bethlehem, Georgetown, West Haven, New Milford, Norwalk, Bridgeport, Essex, Kensington, North Canton, Washington Hill, Southington, Windsor, Redding, Long Ridge, and Yalesville. Since '95 his home has been at Southington. He m. Laura L. Peck Sept. 26, 1853.

ANSON BRAY, of South Britain, son of Stephen C. Bray, m. 1st, Betsey Plant, of Rochester, N. Y. Children :

Catharine, d. in infancy.

Jane Ann, died in childhood.

Morris, d. in infancy.

Rev. Spencer H., for many years a member of the New York East Conference, now a Congregational minister at Chester, N. J.

Catharine, 2d, d. young.

Capt. Morris P., died in Ansonia in Oct. 1896.

Sergt. Wm. Henry, enlisted from Seymour, in the 11th C. V. I., and afterward in the 2d C. V. H. A., and was killed at the battle of Cedar Creek, Va., Oct. 18, 1865.

Anson Bray was a blacksmith by trade but kept a hotel in South Britain for many years, and for forty years was postmaster. He m. 2d, Ellen Pierce, of South Britain.

HANN.

MICHAEL HANN, or Van Hahn, b. in 1734, came to this country in or about 1752, either from Prussia or Holland, and there is some reason to believe that he came with David Wagner. His youngest daughter, Mrs. Anna Booth, who lived until 1867, told the writer that her father was one of a number of young men who were invited to a dinner on board a vessel, at a German port, and while they were at dinner in the cabin the sails were spread and before they knew it they were being borne away from their homes, which they never saw again. On landing here they were bound out to work out their passage. This bringing young men by some trick and so binding them out was a common practice in those times, and there was no redress.

From which of the ports on the eastern shore of the North sea he came, may be possible to discover, as it is not unlikely that some record was made of the abduction of these young men, but such investigation is now impracticable. The name is however still borne in Germany, and one of the same name, Michael Hahn, born in Bavaria in November 1830, was brought to the United States by his parents, when a child, to Louisiana, was educated in New Orleans, was elected a member of Congress in 1862, and in 1864 was elected Governor of Louisiana for the term ending in 1868. There are now a number of families named Hahn in the city of Esslingen, Wirtemberg.

In regard to the name of the Michael Hann of this sketch, a life-long resident of the town says that she had always understood from the older people that the name was Van Hahn, and that he came from Holland, but in this sketch it is thought best to follow the spelling found in the old records, Han or Hann, admitting that the tendency of those days to shorten names may account for the omission of the Van and the silent letter "h".

Michael Hann of South Britain lived in New Haven a few years, probably to work out his passage according to the requirement of his time, and then came to South Britain where for a few years he tended a gristmill. He married Ruth Squire, daughter of Solomon Squire, in 1760, and acquired land in the Purchase, in the valley west of the

present residence of Birdseye Gilbert, and built a house, where he spent the remainder of his life. The house was four or five rods west of the trout brook which runs through the valley and on which he built a dam and so formed a trout pound, which was so known within the memory of one now living near. The larger part of the embankment yet remains. The foundations of the old house may also be seen, though when the writer visited the place in the summer of '96 a butter-nut tree some two feet in diameter, which had grown in what was once the cellar, indicated the long period since, as we were told, the abandoned house was destroyed by fire.

In the Woodbury land records is found the record of the sale by Michael and Ruth Hann of six acres, 15 rods "on the west side of Shippaugue river," Jan. 25, 1769, to John Atwell, for £10. Martha Atwell and Solomon Squire were the witnesses.

He was one of the signers of the petition to the General Assembly in 1765 for the formation of a separate society at South Britain. He served in the Revolutionary War, returning at the expiration of his term, to his home in the valley, where he died in June 19, 1805, three days after the great eclipse. He was buried in the old burial ground in Pierce Hollow, about a mile north of South Britain center. Children :

Mary, m. Elias Bates, of Roxbury.

Benedict, m. Esther Stoddard, of Roxbury.

Michael.

Rosanna, b. July 31, 1766; m. Adam Wagner (see page 50), d. Oct. 12, 1823.

Ruth, m. Godfried Shreves, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Olive, b. Aug. 17, 1771; d. Nov. 15, 1844.

Jacob, m. Anna Hurlburt in Southbury, Oct. 14, 1798, (Woodbury, p. 477), and went to southern Indiana, where he died, having outlived his wife, and leaving no children.

James, d. in childhood.

Anna, b. Sept. 12, 1779; d. Nov. 18, 1867, in Seymour.

BENEDICT HANN, son of Michael and Ruth, m. 1st Esther Stoddard, of Roxbury, Mar. 16, 1785. She died July 6, 1786. He m. 2d, Sarah ———. He died Aug. 14, 1791 having made his will May 11, 1791, leaving his house and land, with most of his personal property to his wife Sarah, remembering also his "only daughter Esther." It was probably his widow who m. Jesse Hurlburt, in Southbury, Jan. 28, 1796.

OLIVE HANN, daughter of Michael and Ruth Hann, m. September 8, 1791, Isaac Tuttle, b. Apr. 4, 1767. They removed in 1796 to Alford, Berkshire county, Mass., where he died Aug. 11, 1851. He was a man of wealth and influence, a Captain of Militia, a class-leader and an exhorter. Children:

Maria Polly, b. Mar. 7, 1794; m. A. J. Sperry.

Bertha Harriet, b. Dec. 4, 1795.

Michael Horace, b. Dec. 20, 1797.

Jeanette, b. Oct. 4, 1801; m. Mar. 1846, Harry Crandall, of Alford. She died in 1872, leaving no children.

Joanna, b. Sept. 1, 1807; m. 1832, Samuel P. Chittenden, who d. in Lansing, N. Y., Oct., 1873. They had two children, Harriet O., b. Feb. 8, 1833; d. Nov. 27, 1849; and Charles, b. in 1835.

BERTHA HARRIET TUTTLE, daughter of Isaac and Olive (Hann) Tuttle, m. in Dec., 1820, Renben G. Fitch, Esq., and had two sons:

Roderick E., had two children, d. July 13, 1836.

Henry E., a lawyer till the beginning of the war, then served as clerk in the war office at Washington, until 1865, then removed to Iowa.

MICHAEL H. TUTTLE, son of Isaac and Olive (Hann) Tuttle, m. 1st, in Southbury, Feb. 11, 1822, Anna Guthrie, who d. Feb. 23, 1824; m. 2d, Dec. 8, 1825, Sophia Husted, of Alford, Mass., b. April 21, 1801, res. Alford. Children:

Frances Ann, b. Oct. 20, 1827; d. Feb. 25, 1829.

Horace M., b. Sept. 15, 1830; d. Feb. 15, 1831.

John Husted, b. Jan. 1, 1838; m. June 15, 1861, Lucy M. Lake, of Castleton village, Vt.; rem. to Montgomery, N. Y.; merchant, firm of Tinnor & Tuttle.

ANNA HANN, youngest daughter of Michael and Ruth Hann, m. Ebenezer Booth, 5th, of Southbury, son of Ebenezer and Olive Sanford Booth, of Newtown, great-great grandson of Richard Booth, of Stratford. He made his home about half a mile west of Southford, where he built a dam and shop, being a cabinet maker by trade, and beside supplying the neighborhood with furniture, made chairs in quantity, which were taken to Derby and sent from there by boat to New York. He died Oct. 17, 1836. Children:

Charles, b. Oct. 21, 1802; d. in Seymour, Dec. 12, 1848.

Olive Maria, b. July 31, 1804; m. Lugrand Sharpe; d. Mar. 8, '64.

Rosette, b. July 3, 1807; m. Wilson E. Hendryx; now living in New Haven.

Harry, b. Oct. 2, 1813; d. Oct. 2, 1824.

Mary Ann, b. Nov. 23, 1815; m. David Sackett; now living in Seymour.

The two daughters now living remember well the account given by their mother, the youngest daughter of Michael Hann, in regard to his service in the Revolutionary war, as narrated to them in their childhood. The circumstantial account was also given the writer by his grandmother, Mrs. Anna Booth.

References—Southbury town records, Woodbury town and probate records, History of Woodbury, History of Seymour, and Colonial Records, Vol. XII, page 437.

SKEELS.

This name, once borne by respected members of the church and community, has no longer a living representative here, though there is mentioned in the early records a "Skeels Hill." (Woodbury town records, Vol. 20, p. 23;—1768.) In the early records the name appears as Skeel, though this is not conclusive, as in the same records we find the name Down, now written Downs or Downes, and as the name is now uniformly written with the terminals that mode of spelling it is followed in these pages.

JOHN SKEELS of Stratford m. Hannah, dau. of Roger Terrill, of Stratford, and probably about 1690 removed to Woodbury, where he died Oct. 5, 1721. His wife died Nov. 11, 1730. Children:

John, bap. Nov. 10, 1678; d. young.

Hannah, bap. Nov. 10, 1678; m. Benjamin Hickox Nov. 3, 1697.

John, Jr., b. Nov. —, 1679; d. May 25, 1727.

Thomas, Sergeant, b. Apr. 23, 1681; died Oct. 30, 1709, on his return from the French and Indian war.

Elizabeth, b. Apr. 20, 1683.

Abigail, b. May 9, 1686.

Ephraim, b. July —, 1689.

John Skeel, Sr., John, Jr., and Thomas, were taxpayers in the North Purchase in 1712.

JOHN SKEELS, Jr., son of John and Hannah, was one of the 78 householders of Woodbury to whom a division of the meadow land on the Shepaug river was made in 1702. He m. Sarah ——. Children:

Thomas, b. Dec. 27, 1711.

Miriam, b. Sept. 1, 1713; m. Bushnell Bostwick Jan. 26, 1737.

John, 3d, bap. Nov. 17, 1715.

Ephraim, b. June 30, 1717.

Abigail, bap. May 10, 1719.

Jonathan, b. Mar. 10, 1721.

Samuel, b. Feb. 23, 1723; d. before Feb. 3, 1759.

Sarah, bap. Feb. 14, 1725.

Hannah, b. Aug. 3, 1727.

JOHN SKEELS, 3d, son of John, Jr., m. Mabel Booth Dec. 13, 1738, and lived in South Britain, where he was recorded as a member of the Congregational church in 1772. His wife was received into church membership July 7, 1776. In 1787 he was taxed on an assessment of £33, 18s. The location of his house is referred to by Titus Pierce in his sketch. See page 9. He was chosen chorister of the church June 29, 1769. Children:

Benjamin, bap. Jan. 15, 1744; d. in 1764.

David, bap. Mar. 16, 1846; settled in Cohoes, N. Y.

John, bap. Dec. 20, 1747; settled at Cohoes.

Amos, bap. Apr. 29, 1750; was a Revolutionary soldier.

Adoniram, bap. Mar. 1, 1761; d. in 1845, aged 84.

Gideon, bap. Apr. 10, 1763.

Eliab, bap. Apr. 19, 1767; m. Abigail Shipman.

Mabel, bap. Aug. 6, 1769; m. Ethan Pratt May 9, 1781.

Betsey, bap. Sept. 15, 1771; m. Joel Downes in Nov., 1806.

Patience, m. Moore Gibbs, in South Britain, June 29, 1786.

The above list of children of John and Mabel Skeels, is gathered from the records of the Congregational church in South Britain, from the Woodbury records, and from letters written for Mrs. Rachel Skeels Plank, daughter of Adoniram Skeels, who in October, 1894, was living at Cooksburg, N. Y. Her letters state that John (3d) with four sons, Eliab, Gideon, Adoniram and Benjamin, and the daughter Mabel, settled in Durham, about a mile from Oak Hill, then called Saybrook Hill, named from the place in Connecticut from whence they came. This harmonizes with other incidental evidence that he first moved eastward before his final removal to New York state.

AMOS SKEELS, son of John, 3d, was a Soldier of the Revolution and afterward became a physician and settled at Springfield, Mass. The name, "Capt. Amos Skeels," appears in the list for the "Danbury alarm" in April, 1777.

MABEL SKEELS, daughter of John, 3d, m. Ethan Pratt of Saybrook, May 9, 1781. They lived near Cooksburg, N. Y. Children:

John.

Ethan, a Presbyterian minister.

Edmund.

Sally, m. Harvey Chittenden.

———, m. ——— Smith and lived in Durham, N. Y.

Evaline, m. Vina Whittlesey. Residence, Durham, N. Y.

JOHN SKEEL, 4th, son of John, 3d, is said to have moved to Danbury and thence to Durham or Oak Hill, N. Y., where he died.

ADONIRAM SKEELS, son of John, 3d, when sixteen years of age drove a supply wagon for the patriot army. Removed to New York state. Children :

Rachel. m. ——— Plank, of Cooksburg, N. Y.

Adoniram, b. 1806.

EPHRAIM SKEELS, son of John and Sarah, m. Mary Marks Feb. 5, 1742. Children:

Hannah, b. Oct. 21, 1747.

Grace, bap. Feb. 26, 1749.

Ephraim, 2d, bap. Apr. 12, 1752.

Silas, bap. Sept. 23, 1753; d. in infancy.

Mary, bap. June 29, 1755; m. Ephraim Andrus of Oxford Sept. 26, 1776.

Lois, bap. Feb. 12, 1758; m. Phineas Johnson, Jr., of Pinesbridge, Oct. 12, 1784.

Silas, bap. June 20, 1761.

Sarah, bap. May 13, 1764.

EPHRAIM SKEELS, 2d, son of Ephraim and Mary, and Sarah Baldwin of Southbury, were married in Oxford Jan. 3, 1777. Residence, Oxford.

SAMUEL SKEELS, son of John and Sarah, m. Lydia Belden. Children:

Belden, b. Apr. 15, 1751; was in Cap. Sedgwick's company, 6th Battallion, June, '76, to Dec. 25th.

Truman, bap. Feb. 11, 1753.

Samuel, bap. June 5, 1755.

Anna, bap. Jan. 30, 1757.

Simeon, bap. Feb. 3, 1759.

TRUMAN SKEELS, son of Samuel and Lydia, was a Soldier of the Revolution. He served as corporal in the 5th Company, 7th Regiment, July 13th to Dec. 20th, 1775, Amos and Samuel Skeels being privates in the same company. In 1776 he served in Capt. John Hinman's company, 13th Regiment, at New York. He married Chloë Hill, in South Britain, June 2, 1779. He had a son, Arad, and probably other children.

ARAD SKEELS of Oxford, son of Truman and Chloe Skeels, m. 1st, Sarah Lake, June 9, 1799. She d. Sept. 29, 1810, aged 33. He m. 2d, Sibilla Woodin, of Oxford, May 5, 1811. She was a communicant of Christ church, Quaker Farms, in 1858. He was a carpenter and lived where Lewis Hawkins now lives (Quaker Farms.) He died July 21, 1855, aged 76. Arad and Sarah were buried in the Hillside cemetery, Quaker Farms. Sibilla d. Jan. 29, 1875, aged 98. Children:

Jason, b. Dec 21, 1802; m. Mariinda ———, of Naugatuck; died in Seymour Nov. 1, 1845.

Burritt Silas, b. 1805; d. Dec. 13, 1862.

Orrin, b. in 1810, a carpenter, d. in Seymour April 18, 1859.

Sarah Minerva, b. Feb. 12, 1812.

Erastus, m. Ellen Fogarty in Southbury, Jan. 8, 1838.

Ira, b. 1818; d. in Oxford, Dec. 22, 1888, aged 70.

Delia, m. George Tomlinson, of Rockhouse Hill, b. Sept. 9, 1814, son of Simeon and Charity Tomlinson.

BURRITT S. SKEELS, son of Arad and Sarah, m. Sarah Bradley May 4, 1828. Occupation, carpenter. Residence, Seymour. Children:

Henry, b. April 4, 1829; d. Sept. 4, 1830.

Charles, b. Aug. 19, 1831; m. Martha J. Kelsey Dec. 5, 1860.

Henry, b. Oct. 31, 1833; d. Apr. 20, 1835.

Mary Ann, b. Mar. 30, 1836, m. P. E. Peck of Woodbridge April 9, 1854.

Frances, b. Aug. 29, 1838; m. Christopher C. Nugent Dec. 29, 186—.

Maria, b. Dec. 8, 1841; m. Dec. 11, 1860, Waterman C. Noyes, b. in Willimantic June 30, 1835. Residence, New Haven.

Daughter:

Nellie May Noyes, b. May 30, 1862.

Martha Jane, b. July 2, 1844.

MARTHA J. SKEELS, daughter of Burritt S. and Sarah Skeels, m. James M. Smith, proprietor of machine works, Seymour. Children:

Maggie, b. June 8, 1864; deceased.

Frank, b. Jan. 25, 1867.

Augustus, b. May 15, 1870.

Agnes, b. April 22, 1874.

Mabel, b. Jan. 29, 1881.

MARY A. SKEELS, daughter of Burritt S. and Sarah Skeels, m. P. Earl Peck, of Woodbridge. Children:

Hattie, b. Dec. 3, 1855; m. Justus Thomas, of New Haven.

Helen, b. Nov. 14, 1857; d. Jan. 1, 1878.

Charles, b. Dec. 8, 1867; m. Edith Augur, of Woodbridge.

Adaline, b. Feb. 14, 1872; m. Erroll Augur, of Woodbridge.

GIDEON SKEELS, son of John 3d, and Mabel, m. Mary Pratt of Saybrook, and removed to New Durham, N. Y. Children :

Theresa Maria, b. Nov. 23, 1812; d. in New Haven June 28, 1894.

THERESA MARIA SKEELS, daughter of Gideon and Mary Skeels, m. Lyman Bissell, of Milton, Ct., in 1835. Children :

Evelyn Lyman, M. D., b. Sept. 10, 1836, in Milton, Ct. He m.

Sarah Melinda Noyes, of Woodbury, Nov. 23, 1865. She d.

July 19, 1883, leaving a daughter, Bertha Wetmore Bissell, b.

Sept. 17, 1870. Evelyn L. Bissell, M. D., was Surgeon Gen-

eral of Connecticut in 1855.

FRENCH.

JEREMIAH FRENCH, of Stratford, m. Hannah Edwards in July 1737. He removed to Doyer, Dutchess county, Bateman's Precinct, Colony of New York, after 1747, as the birth of his sixth child was recorded in Stratford in that year. On June 26, 1759, he deeded 106 acres of land in Woodbury, in Southbury society, "on ye mountain called Sawteeth Rocks," to his son William; and on Nov. 28, 1766, 36 acres adjoining the above. Children:

William, b. Mar. 23, 1738.

Mary, b. Feb. 28, 1740; m. Daniel Shelton.

Sarah, b. May 22, 1741.

Jeremiah, b. July 8, 1743.

Benjamin, b. Oct. 22, 1745.

Charity, b. Aug. 15, 1747

LIEUT. WILLIAM FRENCH, son, of Jeremiah and Hannah, m. Anne ——. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Bennett, b. Dec. 14, 1769.

Avis, residence South Britain, m. Joel Pierce, of South Britain.

Auer, m. Gen. Ephraim Hinman.

BENNETT FRENCH, of South Britain, son of Lieut. William and Anne French, m. May 18, 1793, Currence Pierce, who died Apr. 21, 1809, aged 35. Children:

Elijah, b. Sept. 12, 1798.

William, b. Oct. 11, 1804.

Anne, m. David J. Stiles.

ANNE FRENCH, daughter of Bennett and Currence French, m. Oct. 16, 1821, David J. Stiles, of Southbury. Children:

Bennett French and Anne, twins, b. June 7, 1822.

Zephina, b. Sept. 8, 1828.

Anne French, b. May 19, 1832.

Augusta Mary, b. Nov. 6, 1836.

Adelaide E., b. Jan. 28, 1844.

He m. 2d, Betsey, who d. May 2, 1822, aged 45 years. He d. Feb. 14, 1831, aged 62 years. Both were buried in Pierce Hollow cemetery.

SILAS FRENCH, of South Britain, m. Anna Curtiss, daughter of Benjamin Curtiss of Newtown, Dec. 22, 1794. Children:

Phedemia, b. Feb. 12, 1796.

Erastus, b. Sept. 16, 1797.

Burton, b. Mar. 13, 1799.

Hannah French m. Asabel Bacon in South Britain, June 24, 1784.

Frances French m. Joel Pierce in 1782.

Bronson French m. Mary Ann Bassett, in Southbury, May 5, 1805.

Garry French m. Patty F. Seeley of Southbury Mar. 14, 1825.

Patty P. French m. Henry R. Stiles Nov. 23, 1831.

Ann French m. Rufus Stiles Sept. 15, 1860.

Andrew B. French m. Lucy J. Niles June 1, 1870.

Elijah French represented the town of Southbury in the General Assembly in 1838.

The crest of the French family of Essex, England, is thus described: Between horns of a crescent, per pale, argent and or, a fleur de lis, per pale, of the second and first.

WAKELEY.

ABNER WAKELEY m. Sarah ———. He died in 1769.
Children :

Henry, b. April 9, 1750; was a corporal in the Revolutionary army, and was on duty at Horseneck under Col, Canfield in June, 1779.

Eunice, b. Sept. 19, 1752.

Sarah, bap. July 14, 1754; d. in infancy.

Abel, bap. Oct. 7, 1759.

Ann, bap. May 3, 1761.

Sarah, bap. Aug. 20, 1763.

Platt, bap. April 6, 1766.

Phebe, bap. Sept: 27, 1767.

Abel Wakeley joined the Revolutionary forces when in his 16th year and served through the war. He was with Washington at Valley Forge, at West Point at the time of Arnold's escape, and with Lafayette at the storming of the redoubt at Yorktown. He died at Greenville, Green co., N. Y., Apr. 13, 1850, aged 89.

JOSEPH WAKELEY m. Elizabeth ———. He d. in June, 1759. Children :

Daniel, m. Joanna ———; d. 1748, leaving dau. Tabitha.

Dinah.

DANIEL WAKELEY, of Roxbury, had two children:

James.

Hannah, m. Rurtis Fairchild of Newtown. No children.

JAMES WAKELEY, son of Daniel, m. Sarah C. Law. Residence Roxbury. Children:

Catharine C., unmarried.

William L., of Savannah, Ga., m. Isabel Bacon, of Savannah.

Daniel L., unmarried.

Augusta, d. unmarried.

James Stanley.

JAMES STANLEY WAKELEY, son of James and Sarah C., m. Elizabeth A. Downs, and lived in South Britain.

WM. HOWARD WAKELEY, son of James S. and Elizabeth A., b. Mar. 19, 1862. Occupation, farmer. Residence, South Britain. m. Martha Mitchell May 14, 1894.

Patience Wakeley and Henry Lum were married in South Britain June 14, 1801.

HENDRIX—HENDRYX.

ZADOC HENDRIX was one of the members of the South Britain ecclesiastical society in 1777 and in 1796, Daniel Hendrix in 1796 and until 1812, Benjamin in 1802, and Hawley Hendrix in 1801-3 Barzilai S. Hendrix was made a freeman in 1819, and Wilson E. Hendryx in 1833. The latter was the son of Alson Hendryx of Quaker Farms. He married Rosetta Booth, daughter of Ebenezer and Anna Booth, of Southbury, Oct. 14, 1830, and later removed to Seymour.

Squire B. Hendrix bought land in South Britain parish, at a place known as South Purchase, "lying in the ninth tier," Feb. 18, 1814.

Benjamin Hendryx of South Britain m. Deborah Hurlburt Aug. 1, 1802.

HILL.

ISAAC HILL and Eliza his wife were received into the South Britain church Dec. 24, 1797. Two of his children, Maria and Benjamin, were baptized Dec. 24, 1797.

Lemuel Hill m. Aner Minor June 15, 1784.

Benajah Hill is named in the rate bill of 1799, and Isaac Hill in 1804.

Abiah Hill, b. 1776, lived in South Britain.

In the Pierce Hollow cemetery is the following inscription—"In memory of Betty, daughter of Mr. Bennett and Mrs. Molly Hill, who died 17th March, 1801, in the 4th year of her age."

BRADLEY.

WILLIAM BRADLEY landed at Saybrook in 1637, took the free-man's oath at New Haven in 1644; m. Alice Pritchard in 1645. Children :

Abraham, b. Oct. 24, 1650.

Mary, b. Apr. 30, 1653.

Benjamin, b. Apr. 8, 1657.

Esther, b. Sept. 9, 1659.

Nathaniel, b. Feb. 26, 1660.

Sarah, b. June 21, 1665.

DEA. ABRAHAM BRADLEY, son of William and Alice, m. Hannah Thompson Dec. 25, 1673; lived in New Haven. Children:

John, b. Oct. 12, 1674.

Hannah, b. Nov. 8, 1682.

Lydia, b. Nov. 28, 1685.

Ebenezer, b. Nov. 9, 1689.

Abraham, b. Apr. 9, 1693.

Esther, b. Mar. 14, 1696.

JOHN BRADLEY, son of Dea. Abraham and Hannah, m. Sarah Holt Sept. 22, 1698. Children:

Enos, b. Dec. 28, 1701.

John, b. Sept. 10, 1702.

Dorcas, b. Nov. 4, 1704.

Jason, b. Aug. 10, 1708.

Jehiel, b. Sept. 19, 1710.

Phineas, b. Sept. 28, 1714.

ENOS BRADLEY, 1st, son of John and Sarah, m. Ellen Skidmore Dec. 12, 1721; lived in New Haven. Children:

Sybil, b. Nov. 8, 1722.

Griffin, b. Nov. 9, 1724.

Enos, 2d, b. Dec. 20, 1726.

Ariel, b. Mar. 8, 1729.

Ellen, b. Nov. 4, 1731.

Gamaliel, b. Feb. 19, 1734.

Oliver, b. Nov. 1, 1736.

ENOS BRADLEY, 2d, son of Enos, 1st, and Ellen, came from Westville to Derby in 1748, and m. Hannah Pierson. Children:

Sarah, b. July 27, 1742; lived in New Milford.

Hannah, b. Jan. 14, 1754; d. unmarried in 1798.

Ruth, b. Oct. 3, 1755; m. Jonathan Jackson of Derby.

Anna, b. May 12, 1757; m. Abijah Penny of Huntington.

Enos, 3d, was killed in the Revolutionary War.

Elisha, b. Nov. 13, 1760; d. Dec. 9, 1832.

Samuel, b. Jan. 23, 1765; m. Levina Lewis; lived in Huntington.

Nathan, b. May 15, 1767; d. unmarried, in Derby, in 1811.

Abijah, b. Mar. 23, 1769.

David, b. Feb. 25, 1771; d. young.

ELISHA BRADLEY, son of Enos, 2d, and Hannah, lived in South Britain; occupation, clothier and farmer. His name appeared in the South Britain society rate-bill as early as 1795 and in 1824 he was one of the most liberal subscribers for repairing the church. He married Anna Blackman of Huntington. Children:

David, b. 1788; d. Oct. 14, 1864.

Anson, b. May 10, 1796; d. May 4, 1861.

Polly, b. 1798; d. April, 1818.

Betsey, m. George Chatfield of Woodbury.

DAVID BRADLEY, son of Elisha and Anna, m. 1st, Hannah Beardsley of Monroe, who died Dec. 12, 1821. Children:

Monson E., b. Oct. 19, 1819; d. Oct. 22, 1862.

Elliot B., b. Nov. 25, 1821; m. Caroline S. Tuttle Nov. 29, 1849.

He m. 2d, Anna Wilcoxson of Derby. Ch:

Hannah A., b. Jan. 14, 1825; m. Benjamin Lake of Bethlehem.

Susan C., b. July 6, 1829; m. Noah Tuttle of Waterbury.

DEA. ANSON BRADLEY, son of Elisha and Anna, m. Harriet Canfield Feb. 1, 1824. Res., South Britain. Occupation, manufacturer of woolen goods. Children:

Lemuel C., b. Dec. 1, 1826; d. Oct. 10, 1829.

Burton C., b. Jan. 9, 1830.

Polly Anna, b. Feb. 10, 1832.

Sarah L., b. Dec. 6, 1835.

Eliza, b. Sept. 21, 1839; m. Rev. David F. Pierce.

BURTON C. BRADLEY, son of Anson and Harriet, m. Mary E. Anderson. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Edward B., b. Nov. 28, 1863.

Maria C., b. Nov. 5, 1865.

Charles A., b. Sept. 11, 1868.

CHARLES A. BRADLEY, son of Burton C. and Mary E., m. Kate L. Judson Nov. 9, 1892. Children:

Edward L., b. Oct. 31, 1893.

Marian A., b. Oct. 16, 1895.

ABIJAH BRADLEY of Derby, son of Enos, occupation blacksmith and farmer, m. Polly Bassett in 1802. Children:

David, b. in 1803; m. Susan C. Clark of Milford.

Ira, b. Apr. 6, 1805.

Abijah, b. in 1806; lived in New Haven.

George, b. in 1808; d. in Milford.

Henry, b. Mar. 17, 1810; lived in South Britain; d. June 2, 1895.

Charles, b. 1812; m. Almira Canfield; lived in Seymour.

Maria, b. in 1814; m. David Fenn of Milford.

Edward, b. in 1817.

IRA BRADLEY, son of Abijah; residence, South Britain; occupation, woollen manufacturer; m. 1st, Ann Guthrie, Nov. 24, 1836; 2d, Hannah G. Stiles, Mar. 5, 1863; 3d, Harriet S. Hitchcock, June 2, 1869. Child:

Augusta A., b. Mar. 10, 1838; d. Dec. 30, 1857.

HENRY BRADLEY, son of Abijah and Polly, m. Roxana Atkins, Oct. 22, 1834; 2d, Mary B. French; 3d, Julia C. Towner. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Ellen M., b. Dec. 12, 1835.

Julia E., b. Aug. 31, 1838.

Augustin, b. Mar. 10, 1844.

Charles H., b. Feb. 13, 1849; d. July 12, 1854.

Mary F., b. April 26, 1852.

Harriet N., b. Sept. 12, 1855; d. July 6, 1896.

SAMUEL S. BRADLEY, m. Betsey ———. Children:

Samuel Miles, b. April 6, 1840.

Lyman Fenn, b. Feb. 21, 1842.

Betsey Amelia, b. Jan. 31, 1844.

Levi Burt, b. Aug. 3, 1849.

ISRAEL BRADLEY, a taxpayer in South Britain in 1801, m. 1st, Betsey Pierce, who died Aug. 6, 1825, aged 42; 2d, Sally ———, who died April 16, 1855, aged 51. He died Aug. 20, 1858, aged 80.

Whiting Bradley m. Anna Bronson June 3, 1825.

Mary E. Bradley m. Ezra N. Ballard Dec. 31, 1846.

Levi M. Bradley m. Susan C. Castle Dec. 24, 1848.

Franklin D. Bradley m. Harriet Platt Sept. 5, 1876.

BARNES.

PHINEAS BARNES of South Britain, was one of the fortythree members of the ecclesiastical society in 1772 and is recorded "as committee" His name continued on the "rate bill" of the society until 1804. He married Eunice Pierce April 8, 1776. Child:

Eunice Ann, b. Mar. 10, 1788.

JOEL BARNES of South Britain, m. Lucinda Wheeler in 1792, and had a son Sherman.

SIMEON BARNES of South Britain, m. Lucy Johnson Sept. 25, 1774.

Aaron Barnes m. Patience Mott Dec. 16, 1771.

Chloe Barnes m. Matthew Hawley May 20, 1777.

Simeon, Samuel, Frederick and John Barnes served in the Revolutionary War.

Ira Barnes, b. in Norfolk, Ct., d. in South Britain Jan. 17, 1848, aged 66 years. His name appears in the South Britain rate bill in 1801, as Irad.

BASSETT.

DANIEL BASSETT, of George's Hill, son of Robert and Eunice (Clark) Bassett of Stratford, married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Naomi (Wooster) Bassett of Quaker Farms, August 2, 1770, and located at South Britain. Children:

Robert Clark, b. 1771; m. Eunice Sherwood May 8, 1798.

Daniel, b. 1773.

Eunice, b. 1775; m. Joseph Lewis Aug. 15, 1790.

Samuel, b. 1777.

Betsey, b. 1779; m. Asel Minor Jan. 9, 1799.

Sarah, b. 1781; m. — Hubbell.

Ebenezer D., b. 1783.

Lucy, b. 1785; m. — Garrett from New York State.

Lemuel, b. 1788.

Truman, b. May 8, 1792; d. in 1810.

In his will, dated Aug. 27, 1806, he mentions his children as above, also two grand-daughters, Betsey and Phoebe, minor heirs of his daughter, Betsey Minor. He paid church rates in South Britain 1799 to 1804.

PIERCE.

DEA. JOHN PIERCE, lived on Southbury street. He m. Ann Huthwitt. Children:

John, bap. Sept., 1683; d. Nov. 3, 1757, aged 76 years.

Elizabeth, bap. Aug., 1685.

SERGT. JOHN PIERCE, son of Dea. John and Ann Pierce, m. Comfort Jenners Mar. 21, 1717. She died Aug. 23, 1757, aged 60 years. Children:

John, b. April 4, 1718; d. July 20, 1788.

Elizabeth, b. Aug. 19, 1720; m. Ebenezer Hinman Apr. 20, 1743.

Samuel, b. Jan. 5, 1723; d. Mar. 17, 1788.

Joseph, b. Apr. 26, 1725; d. Aug. 20, 1811.

David, b. Dec. 20, 1727; d. Jan. 2, 1786.

Ann, b. Mar. 15, 1730; m. Ebenezer Squire April 27, 1754.

Nathan, b. May 19, 1732.

Justns, b. May 29, 1734.

Abraham, b. Mar. 14, 1737.

Elijah, b. Jan. 13, 1740; d. Sept. 7, 1817.

DEA. JOHN PIERCE, 2d, son of Sergt. John, m. Hannah Twitchell April 13, 1749. She d. July 16, 1770, aged 48. Children:

John, b. Mar. 5, 1750; m. Mary Edwards Jan 28, 1773.

Samuel, b. Feb. 26, 1752; d. April 29, 1800.

Titus, b. Mar. 21, 1755; d. Nov. 29, 1826.

Hannah, bap. Feb. 6, 1757.

Amos, b. Aug. 9, 1763.

JOSEPH PIERCE, son of Sergt. John Pierce, m. Mary Johnson Feb. 22, 1750. She died Nov. 20, 1826, aged 100 years. Children:

Mary, bap. Jan. 20, 1751; m. Benjamin Hicock Feb. 10, 1774.

Sarah, bap. Jan. 21, 1753; m. David Mitchell April 27, 1775.

Joel, bap. Sept. 29, 1755; d. Oct. 31, 1831.

Olive, bap. Feb. 26, 1758, m. David Stiles Dec. 12, 1784.

Benjamin, m. Lucy Beers.

Aaron, b. 1764; d. April 5, 1777.

Joseph, bap. Aug. 15, 1762.

Ruth, bap. Aug. 17, 1767; m. Newton Tuttle Sept. 10, 1786.

Hannah, bap. Sept. 1, 1769; m. Benjamin Andrus Dec. 21, 1787.

JOSEPH PIERCE, JR., son of Joseph and Mary, m. Sarah Hicock
Feb. 27, 1786. Residence, South Britain. Children :

Lovina, b. Sept. 2, 1786.

Sally, b. June 5, 1788.

Joseph, b. Apr. 8, 1790.

Noble, b. May 11, 1792.

Polly, b. Mar. 20, 1794.

Joshua, b. July 22, 1798.

DAVID PIERCE, son of Sergt. John, m. Eunice Strong July 18,
1751. Children:

Eunice, b. June 1, 1752; m. Phineas Barnes Apr. 8, 1776.

Comfort, b. Oct. 5, 1753; m. John Edmonds Dec. 7, 1776.

Currence, b. Mar. 22, 1755; m. John Platt Jan. 25, 1781.

Mercy, bap. Nov. 18, 1756.

Betty, bap. July 23, 1758; d. Sept. 28, 1779.

Patience, b. Jan. 28, 1762; m. Samuel Botsford May 6, 1784.

Mary, bap. April 15, 1770; d. May 28, 1778.

NATHAN PIERCE, son of Sergt. John, m. Mabel Wheeler Dec. 1,
1763. Residence, Pierce Hollow. Children:

Rebecca, bap. Sept. 1, 1764; m. Benjamin Shelton.

Nathan, bap. Mar. 23, 1766; d. ——— 1820.

Simeon, m. Thankful Hunt.

Reuben, bap. Oct. 27, 1771; d. May 17, 1853, unmarried.

Asa, bap. Feb. 7, 1773; died unmarried.

Truman, bap. Nov. 27, 1774; d. Jan. 12, 1853, unmarried.

Elisha, bap. Oct. 20, 1776; d. Jan. 17, 1842.

Cyrus, bap. April 11, 1782; d. Nov. 14, 1802.

NATHAN PIERCE, son of Nathan and Mabel, m. Rachel St.
John in 1796. She d. July 24, 1816, aged 45. Residence, South
Britain. Children:

Sally, b. 1797, m. Alvin Hine of Middlebury.

Anna, d. aged 21.

Justus, b. 1801; d. Dec. 23, 1889.

Polly, b. 1803; m. Thomas Root.

Olive, b. 1805; m. Abel Holbrook.

Nathan, b. May 9, 1809.

Ely, b. Nov. 6, 1810.

Ellen, b. 1812; m. Anson Bray.

Louisa, b. 1817.

NATHAN PIERCE, son of Nathan and Rachel, m. Sarah E. Bloss of Bethlehem Nov. 6, 1834. Children :

Mary D., b. Dec. 9, 1835; d. Oct. 12, 1846.

Susan E., b. Nov. 1, 1838.

George E., b. April 22, 1840.

Lucy L., b. Apr. 20, 1842.

Nathan F., b. Nov. 20, 1847; d. Nov. 21, 1848.

Mary D., b. Nov. 14, 1851.

JUSTUS PIERCE, son of Nathan and Rachel, m. Olive Mallory Apr. 21, 1831. Children :

Reuben.

Anna.

JUSTUS PIERCE, son of Sergt. John, m. 1st, Hannah Johnson, July 13, 1758, who died May 15, 1759, aged 23 years; 2d, Mary Norton, June 21, 1770. Children:

Justus, b. May 9, 1759.

Andrew, bap. Dec. 1, 1771.

Hannah, b. Sept. 20, 1772; m. Benjamin Mitchell.

Mary, b. Sept. 10, 1775; d. Aug. 4, 1777.

David, b. Oct. 29, 1778.

Justus, b. April 11, 1782.

Mary Ann, b. June 8, 1783.

Shadrach, b. July 2, 1786.

Abigail, b. Sept. 14, 1788.

ABRAHAM PIERCE, son of Sergt. John, m. Ann —————
Children:

Noble, bap. Sept. 8, 1769; d. June 21, 1775.

Annis, b. March, bap. June 15, 1771; d. June 18, 1771.

Calvin, bap. Aug. 16, 1772.

Philo, bap. Feb. 5, 1775.

Sally.

Nancy.

Abraham Noble, bap. Oct. 29, 1778.

Edward, bap. July 4, 1785; d. Sept. 10, 1787.

ELIJAH PIERCE, son of Sergt. John, m. Esther Downs Feb. 8, 1770. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Child, d. Nov. 4, 1772.

Currence, b. Feb. 16, 1775; m. Bennett French May 18, 1793.

Elijah, d. Jan. 7, 1780.

Esther, b. 1780; d. Sept. 12, 1783.

Russell, d. Feb. 3, 1802, aged 1 year and 11 months.

Betsey, m. Israel Bradley.

SAMUEL PIERCE, son of Dea. John, 2d, and Hannah Pierce, m. Martha Edmonds Jan. 9, 1777. She died Jan. 3, 1847, aged 88 years and 7 months. Children:

Edmond, b. May 16, 1778; d. May 9, 1802.

Mary, b. Feb. 6, 1780.

William, b. July 13, 1786; m. ——— Botsford.

John, b. Oct. 30, 1789.

George E., (Rev.) b. Sept. 9, 1794; became President of Western Reserve College, Hudson, Ohio.

Molly, m. ——— Seeley.

TITUS PIERCE, son of Dea. John, 2d, m. 1st, Mary Norton, June 21, 1770; 2d, Abiah Platt, Feb. 3, 1780, who died Feb. 24, 1816, aged 63 years. Children:

Andrew, bap. Dec. 1, 1771.

Hannah, bap. Sept. 11, 1780; m. Benjamin Mitchell Mar. 1, 1801.

Amiel Platt, b. April 19, 1783.

Abigail Betsey, b. July 25, 1788.

Phebe, b. Aug. 4, 1790; d. May 3, 1807, aged 16.

Titus, b. July 5, 1792; d. June 19, 1879.

Amos, b. July 6, 1796.

TITUS PIERCE, 2d, son of Titus, 1st, and Abiah, m. Ann C. Judd, dau. of Leverett Judd, Esq., of Bethlehem. She was b. Dec. 21, 1800; d. Sept. 16, 1892. He was town clerk for many years, and represented the town in the General Assembly in 1845 and 1849. He d. June 19, 1879, and was buried in the new cemetery in Southbury, west of the main street.

JOEL PIERCE, son of Joseph and Mary Pierce, m. Avis French, dau. of Lieut. William French. Occupation, merchant and farmer. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Clara, m. David Edwards.

Erastus, b. 1786; d. Mar. 23, 1791.

Twins { Anna, m. Charles Tomlinson.

{ Aaron, (Rev.) m. Cynthia Hinman; d. April 11, 1878,

Joel, m. Nancy Sherman. Lived in Woodbury. [aged 89.

Avis Charlotte, m. Cyrus Mitchell.

Erastus, m. Elosia Platt.

Minerva, m. Lewis Shelton.

Caroline, m. Eli Mallory.

ERASTUS PIERCE, farmer, son of Joel and Avis Pierce, m. Elosia Platt Feb. 13, 1833. Residence, Pierce Hollow, South Britain. Children:

Granville T., b. Sept. 1834.

David F., b. Apr. 27, 1840.

REV. DAVID F. PIERCE, son of Erastus and Elosia Pierce, m. Elosia Bradley Sept. 13, 1871. Residence, Pierce Hollow, South Britain. He represented the town in the General Assembly in 1877. Children:

Mary E., b. Dec. 20, 1875.

Frederick E., b. Mar. 11, 1878.

Annie H., b. May 17, 1880.

JOHN PIERCE, son of Samuel and Martha, m. Olive Platt Jan. 1, 1818. She was b. May 5, 1799; and d. Dec. 10, 1869. He d. Sept. 15, 1852. Residence, South Britain. Children:

John, 1st, b. Nov. 26, 1831; d. Mar. 9, 1838.

John, 2d, b. May 31, 1839; d. Feb. 25, 1893.

JOHN PIERCE, son of John and Olive Pierce, m., Jan. 1, 1858, Caroline E. Garlick, b. June 1, 1838. He was educated at the Western Reserve College, Ohio, and was one of the most noted farmers and breeders in the state, owning a farm of a thousand acres some two miles north of South Britain center and importing French coach and Percheron horses. He was town treasurer for eight years and filled the office of selectman for a number of years. He was a member of the legislature in 1879 and 1881. Children:

John, b. July 12, 1859.

George Earl, b. June 25, 1861.

Samuel L., b. May 11, 1865.

William Henry, b. April 1, 1868; unm. Residence, Chicago.

Ruby Colison, b. Dec. 4, 1875; m. James C. Neighbors; res. Indianapolis, Ind.

JOHN PIERCE, son of John and Caroline Pierce, m. Jane L. Drakeley Oct. 12, 1881. Residence, Orton, Conn. Children:

John, b. July 1, 1882.

Janie Grey, b. Nov. 3, 1889.

GEORGE E. PIERCE, son of John and Caroline E., m. Helen R. Griswold Oct. 24, 1885. Residence, Portland, Ct. Children:

George, b. Dec. 2, 1889; d. Dec. 7, 1889.

Helen Barbara, b. Mar. 14, 1894.

GRANVILLE TOUCEY PIERCE, son of Erastus and Elosia, graduated at Yale; was admitted to the bar at Columbus, Ohio; was a paymaster in the navy and afterward superintendent of stores at Key West. He m. Henrietta L. Judson. They moved from South Britain to Somerville, Mass. Occupation, economic entomologist. Children:

Ella, b. in Cheshire June 16, 1867; d. Nov. 13, 1890.

Archer Toucey, b. Jan. 27, 1877.

EDWIN PIERCE, son of Benjamin and Mary, b. July 9, 1807; m. Nancy Mallory, dau. of Eli Mallory, of the Purchase, in Mar., 1836. He was one of the selectmen of the town eight years, and first selectman several years, and represented the town of Southbury in the legislature in 1852. Residence, Pierce Hollow. Children:

Susan, b. Jan. 28, 1837; m. John Bryan Sept. 10, 1876.

Lucian, b. Feb. 24, 1839; d. Sept. 30, 1890, unm.

Ezra, b. Dec. 4, 1842.

Charles Benjamin, b. May 31, 1857.

BENJAMIN PIERCE, son of Joseph and Mary, m. Lucy Beers Nov. 29, 1798. Children:

Starling, b. Jan. 13, 1800; m. Sarah Hunt, of Roxbury, d. May 11, 1870.

Chloe, b. Mar. 31, 1801; d. unm. Apr. 9, 1878.

Edwin, b. July 9, 1807, d. Nov. 2, 1875.

CHARLES B. PIERCE, son of Edwin, m. Alice Butler, daughter of James Butler of Lunenburg, N. S., Aug. 20, 1880. Residence South Britain, Children:

Medora Chloe, b. Mar. 27, 1883.

Bessie Alice, b. Aug. 15, 1884.

Edwin Lucian, b. Apr. 30, 1887.

Ezra Harold, b. May 9, 1890.

Gladys Nancy, b. Sept. 11, 1892.

SAMUEL L. PIERCE, son of John and Caroline, Residence, Pierce Hollow. Children.

Samuel L., Jr., b. Aug. 2, 1892.

John Le Roy, b. Nov. 24, 1893.

Sarah Josephine, b. Oct. 31, 1895.

Marjorie May, b. Oct. 24, 1896.

Carolyn Eleanor, b. Apr. 18, 1898.

EZRA PIERCE, son of Edwin and Nancy Pierce, m. Feb. 28, 1877, Matilda S. Gates, b. at St. Johnsbury, Vt., Oct. 22, 1838. She was the daughter of Ezra and Lydia Bemis Gates, and the granddaughter of Ezra Gates, an officer of the Revolution and a near relative of General Gates. Ezra Pierce was a member of the legislature in 1872, was town treasurer for several years, and has been elected by his townsmen to other offices of trust and responsibility, all of which have been filled to their full approval.

ELI PIERCE, son of Nathan and Rachael, m. Augusta Hurlburt Sept. 3, 1835. Residence, South Britain. He represented the town in the General Assembly in 1868. Children:

Rachael A., b. Aug. 24, 1841.

Lucy L., b. Mar. 4, 1845.

RUSSELL D. PIERCE of South Britain, b. Aug. 18, 1803; m. Sarah Ann Whitlock, dau. of Daniel Whitlock, b. April 1, 1811. Children:

Caroline, M., b. April 5, 1832.

Daniel E., b. Jan. 26, 1834.

Asa, b. Sept. 11, 1836.

Truman H., b. Oct. 23, 1838.

Bennet W., b. June 4, 1840.

Elizabeth, b. Dec. 15, 1845.

REUBEN PIERCE, son of Justus and Olive, b. April 30, 1832; m. Helen A. Guthrie, daughter of Adam W. Guthrie, of Southbury, Dec. 5, 1854. Residence, Pierce Hollow, South Britain. She was born April 27, 1836. Ch:

Anna, b. Aug. 1, 1856.

GEORGE PECK PIERCE, son of Charles S. and Eliza Pierce, m. Anna, daughter of Reuben and Helen Pierce. Residence, Wapping. Children:

Annette Anna, b. Mar. 25, 1881.

Olive Eliza, b. Mar. 9, 1885.

Myron Justus, b. Apr. 7, 1887.

This family name is of the same origin as Percy, Piercy and Percey. The renowned family of Percy, of Northumberland, England, derived their name from Percy Forest, in the Province of Maen, Normandy, whence they came, which signifies a strong place, from pierre. It may also signify a hunting place, from pirser, Tentionic, to hunt; percer, French, to penetrate, to force one's way.



LEWIS.

BENJAMIN LEWIS, of Stratford, m. Hannah Curtiss. Children:

John, b. in September, 1672.

Mary, b. in November, 1674.

James, b. in 1670.

Edmund, b. in 1683.

Hannah, b. in 1685; m. Joseph Jones.

Mary, b. in 1688; m. Samuel Fairchild.

Martha, b. in 1691; m. James Judson in 1712.

Benjamin, b. in 1696.

Eunice, m. Judson Buxton in 1721.

DEA. EDMUND LEWIS, son of Benjamin and Hannah, m. Hannah Beach May 21, 1702. He d. in 1757 and was buried in Monroe. Children:

Sarah, b. April 30, 1704; m. Ephraim Burrett.

Sevignion, 1st, b. June, 5, 1705.

Ichabod, b. Sept. 14, 1707.

Jane, b. April, 1709; d. Jan. 2, 1711.

Edmund, b. Oct. 3, 1710.

Hannah, b. Aug. 24, 1712; m. Nathan Thompson.

Jane, b. Aug. 27, 1714.

Martha, b. Apr. 12, 1716.

Ruth, b. Jan. 11, 1718.

Nathaniel, b. Jan. 23, 1719.

Eunice, b. August, 1723.

SEVIGNION LEWIS, 1st, son of Dea. Edmund and Hannah, m. Bathsheba Burroughs April 5, 1726. Children:

Beach, bap. Jan. 8, 1727.

Patience, b. Dec. 26, 1733.

Sevignion, 2d, b. Nov. 5, 1740, living in South Britain in 1796.

JOSEPH LEWIS, of South Britain, m. Eunice Bassett Aug. 15, 1790. He was a landholder of South Britain as late as 1814. Children:

Maria, b. Aug. 4, 1792.

George, b. Dec. 5, 1794; d. Jan. 20, 1798.

Sheldon, b. Aug. 4, 1797.

AARON LEWIS and Susanna Treat, both of South Britain parish, were married Jan. 2, 1804. They lived in Kettletown district a few rods south of the present Lewis homestead, the frame of which was raised the day that Aaron Lewis, Jr., was born. He was born Mar. 10, 1775, and d. Feb. 21, 1835. She was born April 28, 1782, and d. Mar. 22, 1854. Children:

Isaac, b. Oct. 18, 1804.

Bennett, b. Mar. 2, 1808.

Abigail, b. Mar. 2, 1810.

Susan, b. Dec. 2, 1814.

Mary Ann, b. Nov. 8, 1816; m. James E. Wooster of Middlebury; d. June 19, 1834.

Aaron, Jr., b. Feb. 22, 1818; d. Mar. 18, 1867.

Everitt H., b. Oct. 10, 1822, d. April 11, 1845.

ISAAC LEWIS, son of Aaron and Susanna Lewis, m. Elizabeth Treadwell of George's Hill. He was a plow and yoke maker and lived in Southbury. Children:

Justin, went to Kansas.

Frederick, lived in Watertown.

Benjamin, lived for some years in Missouri. Buried at Pine Hill. Monroe.

Nathaniel.

Robert, m. ——— Crook of Watertown.

Caroline, m. Daniel Seward.

Edward, lives in Bridgeport.

Charles, d. in infancy.

AARON LEWIS, Jr., son of Aaron and Susanna Lewis, m. Ruth Ann Wooster of Middlebury, b. July 31, 1822, and lived in the homestead in Kettletown. Children:

Evaline Josephine, b. April 9, 1847, d. May, 26, 1847.

Rosetta Elizabeth, b. June 22, 1849; m. Geo. Bladen of Va.; d. July 27, 1873.

Adelia Lenora, b. Sept. 4, 1851; m. Wilbur Fisk Bassett, b. in Washington, Conn.; d. in Washington Territory. Children:

Herman S., Jennie, Wesley, Ida. Herman S. m. Nettie A. Judd, in Sprague, Washington Ter., June 14, 1893.

Arthur James, b. June 19, 1855; d. Mar. 21, 1896.

Elmer Aaron, b. July 8, 1861.

ARTHUR J. LEWIS, son of Aaron and Ruth Ann Lewis, m. Emily J. Davis, daughter of Clark Davis, of Southford. Residence, Southford. Children:

Minnie, b. Dec. 20, 1876.
 Clark A., b. Nov. 25, 1878.
 Arthur J., b. July 4, 1881.
 Lida May, b. July 5, 1887.
 Lyman, b. May —, 1892.
 Ernest Lincoln, b. May —, 1894.
 Robert Vincent, b. May —, 1895.

ELMER A. LEWIS, son of Aaron and Ruth A. Lewis, m. Josephine Harrison Dec. 25, 1884. Residence, Kettletown. Children:

Nellie Francis, b. June 7, 1888.
 Sadie Elizabeth, b. Dec. 12, 1891.
 Abigail May, b. May 23, 1893.
 Arthur J., b. Jan. 23, 1897.

John Lewis m. Mary Munn Dec. 4, 1734.

Beach Lewis m. Phylme Wheeler Oct. 26, 1783.

William Lewis m. Sarah Peet Oct. 28, 1784.

Agur Lewis m. Laurena Sherman Oct. 13, 1803.

Abraham Lewis, Sr., m. Barsheba ———. She d. Aug. 8, 1818, aged 87.

Abraham Lewis, Jr., m. Sarah Spencer April 26, 1784. He d. June 3, 1815, aged 62.

Nehemiah Lewis and Nehemiah, Jr., were taxpayers in South Britain in 1788-9 and 1801, and the last named, with Elijah and Joseph, in 1814.

Among those who went from this vicinity to serve in the Revolutionary war were Ezekiel Lewis, ensign in 1777, Lieutenant in Capt. James Stoddard's company, with Washington at Phillipsburg in 1781; Judah Lewis, joined Capt. Stoddard's company Aug. 6, 1781; George, Asa, Abraham, Nathaniel, James, Elihu and Ebenezer Lewis.

It is said that the ancestor of the Lewis family came from England about 1675 and settled on Long Island, and had four sons, James, Edmund, Benjamin (see page p. 85,) and Joseph. Edmund, b. in 1683, m. a Miss Beach, and settled in Stratford. He was a state councilor and the first judge of the county court. He died in 1758, leaving four sons, Seignor, Edmund, Nathaniel, b. in 1717, and Ichabod.

AVERILL.

ISAAC AVERILL, b. about 1685, came from England and settled in New Preston, Conn., with his three sons :

Samuel, b. 1715 ; m. Patience Perry, d. Apr. 30, 1786.

Daniel, b. 1716 ; m. Lucy Coggswell ; d. Oct. 3, 1769.

Moses, b. 1724 ; d, Jan. 22, 1784.

SAMUEL AVERILL, son of Isaac, m. Patience Perry. He was prominent in the affairs of the New Preston ecclesiastical society and in other public matters. Children :

Samuel, m. Sarah Payne.

Perry, b. Sept. 18, 1754 ; d. July 10, 1842.

Patience, b. 1741 ; m. Morgan Noble ; lived in Vermont.

COL. PERRY AVERILL, son of Samuel and Patience, m. 1st, Dorothy Whittlesey of New Preston, Sept. 22, 1774 ; 2d, Sarah Terrill of New Milford, Dec. 8, 1824. He was a soldier of the Revolution and afterward a Colonel of militia. Children :

Perry, b. Mar. 28, 1775 ; d. Dec. 29, 1780.

Eliphalet, b. Mar. 30, 1777.

Heman, b. Mar. 23, 1779 ; d. unmarried.

Chloe, b. Jan. 21, 1781 ; m. Stephen Crane.

Dolly, b. Dec. 28, 1782 ; m. Wilmot Sperry.

Perry, b. Mar. 5, 1785 ; d. Nov. 18, 1857.

Samuel, b. Feb. 17, 1787 ; m. Betsey Johnson.

Matilda Patience, b. Jan. 5, 1790 ; m. David Whittlesey.

Elisha, b. Apr. 30, 1792 ; grad. at Yale, d. June 7, 1824.

Augustin, b. Aug. 30, 1795 ; m. Caroline Beach.

Frederick Wm., b. Feb. 14, 1798 ; m. Ann Keith.

Horace, b. Nov. 14, 1801 ; m. Jeannette Hungerford.

PERRY AVERILL, JR., son of Perry and Dorothy, m. Eunice Ann, dau. of Phineas Barnes, Sept. 22, 1808. She d. July 12, 1852, aged 64. Children :

Phineas Barnes, b. Aug. 31, 1809.

Eliza Jane, b. June 28, 1811 ; m. M. M. Canfield.

Eunice Maria, b. May 30, 1820 ; m. Robert Crane, M. D.

PHINEAS B. AVERILL, son of Perry, Jr., and Eunice, came from New Preston to South Britain and m. Eliza E. Wheeler, eldest daughter of Samuel E. Wheeler of South Britain. Children:

Eliphalet H., b. July 17, 1833; m. Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. William Stebbins.

Perry, b. May 24, 1838.

Eunice Eliza, b. Sept. 20, 1840.

Samuel P., b. June 12, 1843.

Frank W., b. Aug. 12, 1848; res. Jackson, Mich.; m. Charlotte Sabins of Detroit.

CAPT. PERRY AVERILL, son of Phineas B. and Eliza, served in the war of 1861-65, enlisted Oct. 12, 1861, was mustered in as 1st Lieutenant, was promoted Captain Jan. 1, 1864, and was honorably discharged by expiration of term of service Feb. 24, 1865. He m. 1st Ada Moshier; 2d, Ellen Curtiss of Woodbury. Children:

Nathan K., b. Oct., 1873; graduated at West Point, was commissioned Lieutenant June 12, 1895, in the 2d U. S. A. Cavalry. He served in the war with Spain as 2d Lieut. in the 6th Regt. N. Y. Cavalry.

Morris.

William Henry.

SAMUEL P. AVERILL, son of Phineas B. and Eliza E., m. Mar. 2, 1870, Julia T. Mitchell, daughter of Amos and Maria T. Mitchell. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Ada Maria, b. Dec. 50, 1870; m. Harry Campbell Quintard, of Bridgeport, a graduate of Yale.

Frank William.

AUGUSTIN AVERILL, son of Col. Perry and Dorothy, m. July 12, 1825, Caroline Beach, who d. April 9, 1837, aged 35. He m. 2d, May 9, 1838, Margaret Fraser of Woodbury. Residence, New York City. Occupation, merchant. He filled several public offices in connection with the schools and charitable institutions of the metropolis. Children:

Lucy Caroline, b. June 15, 1826; m. Wm. Churchill, Jr., merchant, of New York City, July 28, 1847.

Perry Beach, b. Feb. 28, 1828; d. Oct. 7, 1829.

Joseph Otis, b. Oct. 22, 1830; a merchant in New York City, m.

Sarah E. Jones May 12, 1852.

Augustin Gurley, b. Oct. 30, 1832; d. Dec. 7, 1833

Mary Frances, b. Oct. 24, 1840.

Margaret Fraser, b. May 10, 1843.

Louisa Edelston, b. Nov. 22, 1844.

Heman Augustin, b. Feb. 22, 1849; d. Feb. 23, 1852.

Augustin, b. Feb. 24, 1852.

SAMUEL AVERILL, son of Col. Perry and Dorothy, m. Betsey, dau. of Amos Johnson, Esq., May 30, 1815. Residence, New Preston. Children:

Dolly Betsey, b. Jan. 23, 1817; m. D. W. Whittlesey, of Berlin, Ct., Sept. 4, 1839.

Samuel Johnson, b. Feb. 25, 1819.

Martha, b. Oct. 4, 1820; d. Mar. 9, 1822.

Mary b. Mar. 23, 1822; m. Walker S. Seeley of Woodbury April 17, 1847.

Sally J., b. Nov. 7, 1824.

SAMUEL JOHNSON AVERILL, son of Samuel and Betsey, m. Laura Phinett Platt Dec. 4, 1844. She was born June 9, 1824; d. Oct. 27, 1882. He d. June 10, 1891. Children:

Ellen Maria, b. Dec. 17, 1846; m. Dayton Burnham Nov. 11, 1885.

Mary Elizabeth, b. Oct. 30, 1848; d. May 13, 1854.

Betsey Caroline, b. Aug. 6, 1850; d. May, 1854.

Edna Amelia b. Nov. 20, 1852; d. May 19, 1859.

Heman Otis, b. Aug. 20, 1856.

Julia Elizabeth, b. Oct. 29, 1861; d. Jan. 18, 1896.

HEMAN O. AVERILL, son of Samuel J. and Laura P., m. Oct. 20, 1881, Bertha Wheaton Buckingham, b. Nov. 24, 1859. Children:

Laura Buckingham, b. Apr. 1, 1883.

Ralph Johnson, b. Nov. 8, 1884.

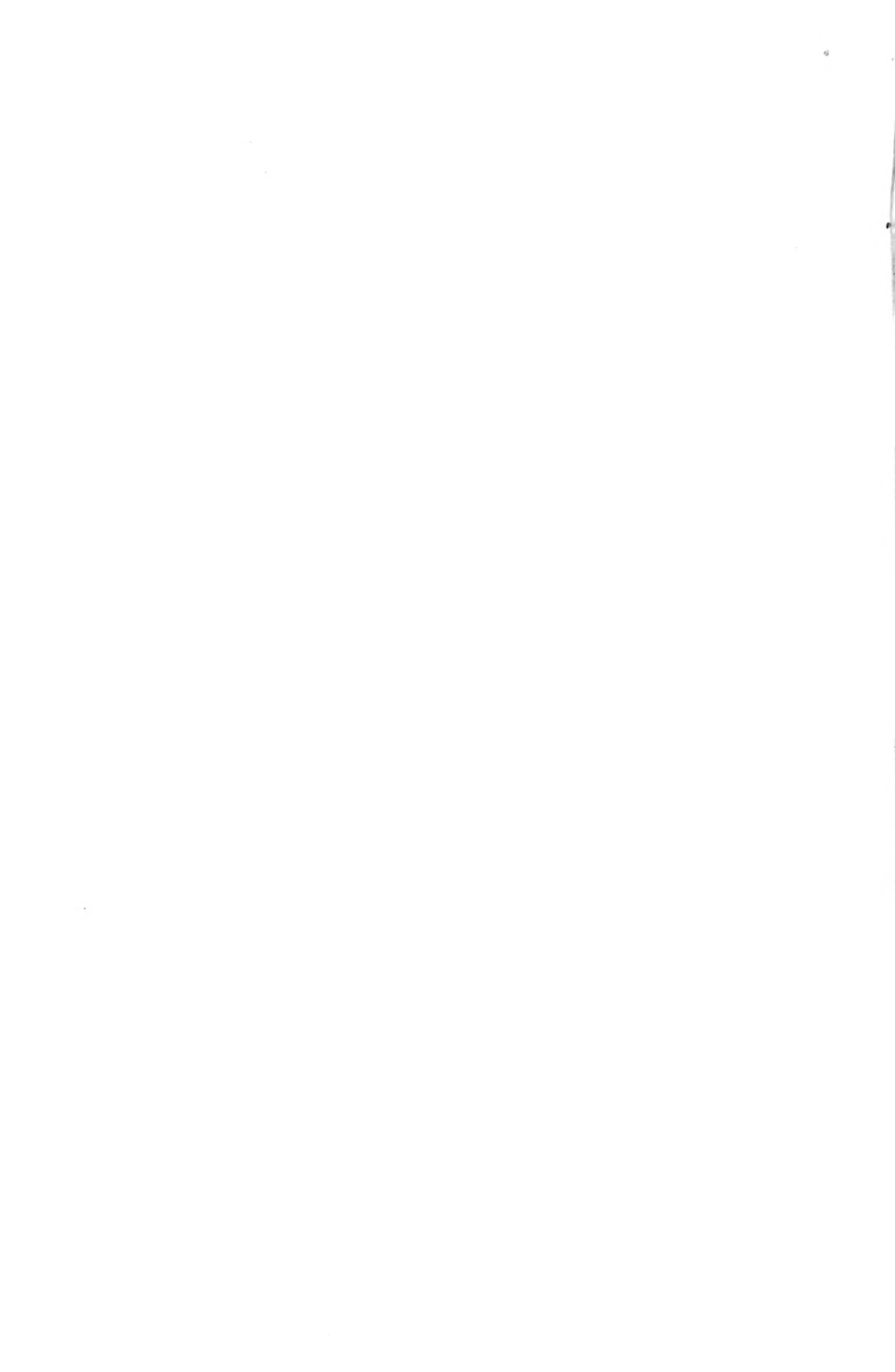
Clara Wheaton, b. Apr. 18, 1887.

Dorothy, b. Jan. 14, 1889.

Heman Otis, b. Aug. 5, 1891; d. Aug. 13, 1891.

Heman Benjamin, b. May 3, 1898.

The arms of the Averills of Co. Worcester, Eng., settled there since 1602, are, Gu. a cross fleury erm. charged in chief with a buck's head of the field. Crest—A buck's head, cabossed.



EDMONDS.

JAMES EDMONDS, SR., b. in 1704, appears to have been the elder of the name in South Britain and it also appears that he m. twice and had at least five children, all living within the bounds of South Britain society. He was of Scotch descent but came from the north of Ireland to America. He died May 15, 1797, aged 93 years. His wife died Feb. 5, 1778, aged 76 years. They were buried in Pierce Hollow cemetery. Children :

Robert.

James, Jr., b. 1740; d. Apr. 27, 1787, aged 47.

Mary, m. John Pierce.

William, b. 1748, d. Sept 28, 1767.

Betsey, m. Samuel Tweedy.

In the church rate bill of 1777 there are named Robert, John, James and James, Jr. In 1787 there are named James, John and George, and in 1803 only John and John P. Edmond. Robert removed to Ridgefield where he died aged 93, and where his sons Cyrus and Robert located. In the earlier records the s is omitted.

ROBERT EDMONDS m. Mary Marks, and settled in the South Purchase. Both he and James, Sr., were among the petitioners in 1772 for the establishment of the South Britain church. Children:

John, b. 1754; d. Oct. 9, 1828, aged 74 years.

William, b. Sept. 28, 1755.

George.

Martha, m. Samuel Pierce Jan. 9, 1777.

Margaret, m. Elias Lee, removed to Balston, N. Y.

Esther, m. ——— Jackson.

Mary, bap. Aug. 21, 1761; d. Feb. 5, 1778.

Ann, bap. April 27, 1764; m. ——— Jackson, of Danbury.

Robert S., bap. Jan. 24, 1770.

Cyrus, bap. Jan. 3, 1773.

Daniel.

JAMES EDMONDS, JR., m. Ruth Kasson Mar. 17, 1768. She was received into membership in the South Britain church Oct. 28, 1770, and he was received Mar. 8, 1772. He d. April 27, 1787. Children:

James, b. Sept. 17, 1769; bap. Nov. 15, 1770.

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 20, 1772; bap. Feb. 2, 1772; d. unm.

William, b. July 22, 1774; bap. Aug. 21, 1774; d. unm.

John Parks, b. July 15, 1778; bap. Jan. 21, 1779.

JOHN EDMONDS, son of Robert and Mary, m. Dec. 7, 1775, Comfort Pierce, who was received into church membership Aug. 7, 1785, and d. Nov. 1, 1799, aged 46. Children.

Eunice, b. Sept. 27, 1776; d. Mar. 10, 1781.

David P., b. July 13, 1781; d. Mar. 3, 1826.

Charles.

John, b. June 4, 1783; m. Lucy Parks of Salisbury.

Mary, m. Dunning Babbitt.

William, m. Sarah Hall.

Molly, b. Mar. 5, 1787, bap. May. 20, 1787; d. Nov. 10, 1791.

JUDGE WILLIAM EDMONDS, son of Robert, m. 1st Elizabeth J. Chandler, Nov. 30, 1784, who d. Feb. 17, 1795. He m. 2d Elizabeth Payne, of Hartford, who d. Feb. 14, 1796. Children:

Mary Elizabeth, b. in 1785; m. Col. Elias Star of Danbury.

Elizabeth P., b. Mar. 17, 1798; m. Hon. Holbrook Curtiss of Watertown.

Sarah, b. June 24, 1800; m. Dr. Cyrenius H. Booth.

William P., b. July 4, 1802; d. Aug. 10, 1829.

Ann, b. Apr. 5, 1804.

Robert, b. Sept. 12, 1805; m. Mary Delapline.

DAVID P. EDMONDS, son of John and Comfort, m. Clara Pierce eldest child of Joel Pierce. She d. Oct. 3, 1868, aged 85 years.

RUSSELL.

The Russell family history on the other side of the Atlantic has been well written up by several authors. J. H. Wiffen, M. R. S. L., corresponding member of the Society of Antiquaries of Normandy, published two volumes of 563 and 604 pages, (London, 1833,) entitled "Historical Memoris of the House of Russell from the Time of the Norman Conquest," quoting upon the title page a saying of Bacon, "It is a reverend thing to see an ancient castle or building not in decay, or to see a fair timber tree sound and perfect: how much more an ancient noble family, which hath stood against the waves and weathers of time." In these volumes the line is traced from 1066 to the death of Lord John Russel, fourth Duke of Bedford, in 1771.

Vermont's America Heraldica says that the emigrant, Richard Russell, came over from county Hereford, England, where he was born in 1611. Crest: a demi lion, rampant, collared, sable, studded, or, holding a cross of the shield.

BENJAMIN RUSSELL of South Britain, b. Sept. 21, 1764, m. Eunice Barlow, May 18, 1785. She died Oct. 2, 1811, aged 42 and he m. 2d, Betty ———, who d. Mar. 3, 1842, aged 63. He d. Nov. 1, 1842, aged 78. Children:

Polly Ann, b. Apr. 19, 1789.

Cyrus Ralph, d. Sept. 14, 1798, aged 11 years and 5 months.

Cyrus Stiles, d. Jan. 3, 1812, aged 10 years.

BARLOW RUSSELL, b. Sept. 18, 1799, m. Caroline Castle May 5, 1818. Children:

Bethuel T., b. in 1820; d. May 5, 1872.

Benjamin S., m. Sarah Curtiss: children—Stiles C., John B., Dwight B.

Caroline E., m. David Curtiss: children—William, Carrie, Kate, Edna E.

BETHUEL T. RUSSELL, son of Barlow and Caroline, m. Huldah A. Downes Nov. 16, 1842. She was b. in 1820. He d. May 5, 1872. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Henry B., b. Aug. 16, 1844.

Charles T., d. Jan. 29, 1894.

Mary C., b. Oct. 14, 1853; m. ——— Platt, of Redding Ridge.

George B., b. Aug. 9, 1860.

HENRY B. RUSSELL, son of Bethuel T. and Huldah A., was educated at the common school in his native town, at the Thompson school, Woodbury, and at the Oceanport Institute, N. J. He has filled the office of selectman three years and was town treasurer for a number of years. He also represented the town of Southbury in the legislature in 1886. He was chairman of the committee of the First Ecclesiastical Society of Southbury for eight years. He m. Rachel Pierce. They have one daughter,

Annie A., b. Dec. 26, 1868.

GEORGE B. RUSSELL, son of Bethuel T. and Huldah A., m. Minnie B. Allen Aug. 20, 1879. Residence, South Britain, south of the centre. Children:

Lucretia G., b. Nov. 2, 1880.

Allen B., b. Dec. 22, 1881.

SETH RUSSELL m. Ann Maria Hicock April 30, 1856.

POST.

JOSEPH POST m. Betsey Hinman, of Kettletown, who died Apr. 20, 1847. He lived on the east bank of the Housatonic, about a mile below Bennetts Bridge. Children:

Henry, b. 1797; d. June 10, 1847.

HENRY POST, son of Daniel and Belinda, m. 1st Lucinda Shelton, of Derby, who died April 13, 1822; 2d, in 1823, Martha Munn, who died July 24, 1859, aged 64. Residence, on the east bank of the Housatonic, a mile below Bennetts Bridge. Children:

Phebe Ann.

Daniel Benjamin, b. April 17, 1824; m. Melinda Couch, of Bethel, Aug. 1, 1874. Residence, South Britain.

Joseph Brooks, b. Aug. 25, 1825; m. Antoinette Downs. Residence, Kent, Ct.

Samuel Washington, b. Aug. 26, 1827.

Betsey Caroline, b. May 27, 1829; d. Feb. 9, 1847.

Henry Monroe, b. Feb. 52, 1831, m. 1st, Jane Lewis, who died Jan. 27, 1873, aged 40 years; 2d, Catharine Merrill. Residence, near Bennetts Bridge.

Jane Ann, b. Dec. 29, 1832; m. James Adams of South Britain.

John, b. Aug. 26, 1835.

SAMUEL W. POST, son of Henry and Maria; residence, South Britain; was educated in the Southbury schools and has been a successful and prosperous business man. He has at various times filled most of the Southbury town offices and has been representative and state senator. He married in 1854 Cythera M. Hollister, who died Feb. 27, 1891. Children:

George Hollister, b. in 1858.

Lillian J., b. Apr. 26, 1862; died Mar. 13, 1891.

GEORGE H. POST, son of Samuel W. and Cythera M., m. Belle Lewis of Naugatuck. Residence, Waterbury. They have one daughter, Eloise A.

WARNER.

NOADIAH WARNER, of South Britain, b. in 1764, lived about a quarter of a mile southeast of Bennetts Bridge. He died Jan. 16, 1839. His wife Polly d. Nov. 29, 1832, aged 70. They had at least one son:

AGUR WARNER, who lived in the old homestead, and m. Polly Bassett, sister of Philo Bassett. She died Jan. 10, 1866, aged 76. He died Mar. 3, 1871, aged 82. Children:

Jane, b. Dec. 5, 1810; m. Agur Treat Curtis, of Stratford.

Samuel Curtis, b. June 21, 1813; d. July 18, 1872.

Mary A., b. Oct. 5, 1815; m. Theophilus Curtis of Newtown Nov. 12, 1838; d. Oct. 11, 1883.

Noadiah, b. Oct. 10, 1817.

NOADIAH WARNER, son of Agur and Polly, lived in the old homestead near Bennett's Bridge. He m. 1st Laura Hinman, who died May 23, 1861, aged 38; 2d, Alice E. Beardsley, of Newtown, who died Feb. 18, 1875. He died Mar. 3, 1871, aged 82. Children:

Mary, b. June 24, 1843; d. June 30, 1845.

Allen L., b. July 30, 1844; d. at Bedford, N. Y., June 10, 1868.

Mary A., b. Feb. 9, 1846; d. Jan. 22, 1870.

Hattie A., b. Sept. 4, 1849; m. Charles E. Hall, of Derby.

Frank, b. Feb. 13, 1853; d. Sept. 14, 1876.

Ella, b. Aug. 7, 1856; m. Thomas Jenner. Res. Denver, Col.

Lottie, b. Nov. 9, 1857; m. Sherman Baldwin, of Milford, Ct.

Dora, b. May 23, 1861; m. Viola White, of Stepney; res. Shelton.

Herbert N., b. Jan. 2, 1876.

Twins, girls, b. May 11, 1878; d. May 13, 1878.

Lulu A., b. Sept. 28, 1881.

SAMUEL C. WARNER, son of Agur and Polly, m. Eliza Sherman of Monroe, Feb. 25, 1833. He lived in the first house west of Bennetts Bridge. Children:

Carlos, m. Ellen Seeley, of Stepney, is a surveyor and railroad contractor. Residence, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lucius, res. Chicago; occupation, physician.

ABRAM WARNER, of South Britain, m. Nancy—. Children:

Charles, b. 1837; d. Jan. 21, 1853.

Walter J., b. 1847; d. July 13, 1869.

Aphelia S., b. 1849; d. Nov. 3, 1863.

Delia, b. 1854; d. Apr. 4, 1862.

GILBERT.

ISAIAH GILBERT m. Esther Bull Feb. 14, 1758. Children.

Levina, b. Dec. 28, 1758.

Ashley, b. Feb. 10, 1761.

Anne, b. April 26, 1763.

Esther, b. Dec. 14, 1766.

Betty, b. Feb. 17, 1768.

Amos, b. July 16, 1770.

Isaiah, b. Oct. 19, 1773.

ELNATHAN GILBERT m. Meribah ———. Children:

Sarah, b. April 16, 1768.

Joanna, b. Dec. 3, 1769.

Benjamin M., b. Mar. 3, 1771.

William Lee, b. May 10, 1772.

Polly, b. Dec. 19, 1773.

Urana, b. Jan. 7, 1778.

JOSIAH GILBERT, m. Experience ———. Children.

Sally, b. Oct. 4, 1779.

Elias, b. Oct. 19, 1782.

ALANSON GILBERT, of South Britain, (Purchase) m. Ruth Ann Squires. Children:

Hiram R., b. May 11, 1817; d. Sept. 9, 1880.

Mary A., b. June 6, 1821; m. Joel Ward, lived in the Purchase, had one child, Nettie; m. Wm. H. Fairchild.

HIRAM R. GILBERT, son of Alanson and Ruth Ann, m. 1st, Huldah Ann Fogarty, who d. Feb. 23, 1863, aged 44; 2d, Mrs. Susan Merrill. Children:

Birdseye, b. May 10, 1841; d. April, 1898.

Helen A., b. Feb. 20, 1843; m. George Roswell Nov. 27, 1862.

Ch: Fannie, Cora, Ruth.

Frederick L., b. Jan. 6, 1845.

Mary E., b. Oct. 7, 1846.

Harriet, b. Nov. 8, 1848; m. Jay Tyrrell; d. April 5, 1872.

Hiram A., b. June 26, 1850.

Emma J., b. July 19, 1851.

Charles E., b. Aug. 22, 1853.

George H., b. Apr. 9, 1856.

Willey C., b. Aug. 9, 1860.

BIRDSEYE GILBERT, son of Hiram R. and Huldah A., m. Sept. 5, 1867, Emily R. Bronson, who d. Sept. 2, 1873, aged 26 years. He m. 2d, May 25, 1874, Susan M. Bronson, who d. Feb. 2, 1893, aged 47 years. They were the daughters of Nelson Bronson of South Britain. Mr. Gilbert was for many years an efficient member of the board of education of the town of Southbury. Children:

Mary E., b. Nov. 4, 1869.

Leslie J., b. Aug. 3, 1875.

Oliver N., b. Mar. 31, 1877.

Susan S., b. Feb. 3, 1880.

Bessie A., b. Aug. 10, 1882.

Ada L., b. Aug. 29, 1886.

PLATT.

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RICHARD PLATT, of Milford, had seven children :

John, m. Hannah Clark.

Isaac, of Huntington, L. I., m. Elizabeth Wood; d. in 1691.

Sarah, m. 1st, Thomas Beach; 2d, Miles Merwin.

Epenetus, b. July, 1640; m. Phebe Wood; d. 1693.

Hannah, b. Oct., 1643; m. Christopher Comstock.

Josiah, b. Nov., 1645; m. Sarah Canfield Dec. 2, 1669.

Joseph, b. April, 1649.

JOSEPH PLATT, son of Richard, m. Mary Kellogg, dau. of David Kellogg, of Norwalk, May 5, 1680. Children:

Mary, b. Sept., 1681; m. John Woodruff Dec. 22, 1698.

Joseph, b. Feb. 16, 1684; m. Elizabeth Woodbury Jan. 19, 1702.

Phebe, b. Mar., 1686; m. Samuel Newton Nov. 29, 1705.

Samuel, bap. Sept. 7, 1690; m. Sarah Beard 1744.

Hannah, b. Apr., 1693; m. Fletcher Norton.

Epenetus, b. May 7, 1696; d. Apr. 10, 1723.

Elizabeth, b. Feb., 1698; m. Nehemiah Smith.

Gideon, b. Sept., 1700.

Sarah, b. Mar. 28, 1703.

Mary, b. May 6, 1704.

WILLIAM PLATT m. Mercy Pierce, Mar. 23, 1791. Children.
Dea. Simeon.

Olive, m. John Pierce, Esq.

Currence, m. Rexford Treat.

DEA. SIMEON PLATT, son of William and Mercy, m. Eliza Blackman. Children:

Polly Bradley, m. Henry Sanford.

Olive Theresa, m. Robert Weeks.

Maria, d. unm.

Louis.

William.

Edward Arthur, m. Ellen Barnes.

Augusta Eliza, m. Charles Treat.

Currence Amelia.

William.

JOSEPH PLATT, of Milford, whose will was dated Aug. 26, 1758, in it named his wife, Sarah. Children:

Abiah, m. Noah Plumb, of Stratford.

Joseph, b. May, 1711; d. Aug., 1776.

Ebenezer, b. July, 1713; m. Hannah Green; d. Aug. 13, 1790.

Stephen, b. 1717; d. Aug. 30, 1790.

DEA. STEPHEN PLATT, son of Joseph and Sarah, m. in 1748, Hannah, dau. of John Woodruff of Oxford. She was b. in 1727; d. Aug. 16, 1809. Their children were b. in Milford but they afterward settled in South Britain. Children.

Stephen, 2d, b. May 17, 1749.

John, b. 1755.

Ammiel, b. 1757; d. May 9, 1778.

Andrew, b. 1759; d. Sept. 1, 1776.

Hannah, b. 1763, d. Mar. 13, 1776.

William, b. Jan. 18, 1765; d. Feb. 18, 1816, m. Mercy Pierce.

Abia, m. Titus Pierce, Esq.

Abigail, b. 1768; d. Sept. 11, 1776.

ISAAC PLATT, son of Stephen and Elizabeth, (p. 43,) m. Amy Barnes. Children:

Clark, b. 1799; killed by the falling of a tree May 21, 1843.

Eunice, b. Nov. 27, 1801; m. Edmund Barnes Feb. 13, 1824.

She d. July 26, 1873.

Harry, b. Sept. 25, 1804; m. Jane E. Platt Jan. 29, 1856. He d. Nov. 15, 1868. No. ch.

Betsey, b. Nov. 26, 1809; d. unm.

Oliver, b. 1818; d. Mar. 22, 1825.

MERRITT S. PLATT, son of Stephen S. and Sally Platt, (page 44,) was one of South Britain's reliable men and like his father and grandfather before him was a member of the Congregational church, his grandfather having been one of those who helped to organize the society, and one of the deacons of the church. He was a republican and for six years was a member of the board of relief of the town. He was born in 1829, and in 1853 married Maria, daughter of Ebenezer Smith, of Middlebury. They had one son, Stephen S. Merritt S. Platt died May 5, 1891, aged 76 years.

STEPHEN S. PLATT, son of Merritt S. and Maria Platt, m. Edna R. Hine, of Southbury, in 1886, and has two children:

Mary E., b. in 1886.

Irving Smith, b. in 1889.

EDWARD A. PLATT, (p. 44,) son of Simeon and Eliza, settled in the old homestead, which had been in the family over 120 years. His second child; Willis E., m. Maggie Burke in September, 1880. The third, Jane E., m. Wm. Fenn.

WILLIS E. PLATT, son of Edward A. and Ellen, m. Margaret Burke, of New Haven, in 1880. Children;

Eunice E., b. 1882.

Sarah E., b. 1885.

Edward A., b. 1887.

HAYES.

STEPHEN HAYES, of Bethlehem, b. Nov. 12, 1815; m. Nov. 17, 1842, Lucy Amelia Platt, of South Britain, b. Sept. 5, 1821.
Children:

A daughter, b. Mar. 12, 1845.

Franklin Pierce, b. Dec. 29, 1846.

Samuel Platt, b. Jan. 30, 1849; m. Jan. 1, 1879, Lizzie H., dau. M. Kassan, b. July 4, 1850.

Alice Rebecca, b. Mar. 26, 1851; m. Henry M. Canfield, of South Britain.

Stephen, Jr., b. July 24, 1854; d. Aug. 2, 1854.

Edson Perkins, b. June 18, 1856; d. Feb. 6, 1857.

Wallace Pearl, b. Aug. 21, 1859.

FRANKLIN P. HAYES, son of Stephen and Lucy, m. April 4, 1871, Katie P. Bloss, who was born Oct. 2, 1845. He enlisted Aug. 5, 1861, in Co. F, 20th C. V., and served until the mustering out of the regiment June 13, 1865, at the close of the war.

George F., b. Sept. 25, 1872.

Abner P., b. Jan. 25, 1876.

MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS.

PIERCE HOLLOW CEMETERY.

Perry Averill, died Nov. 18, 1857, aged 72.

Eunice Ann, wife of Perry Averill, died July 21, 1852, aged 64.

Eddie, Charlie, Baby, children of Eliphalet and Elizabeth B. Averill.

In memory of Phineas Barnes, who died Jan. 28, 1830, aged 79 years.

In memory of Eunice, wife of Phineas Barnes. who died Oct. 29, 1825, aged 73 years.

In memory of Mrs. Patience Botsford, wife of Mr. Samuel Botsford, who departed this life May the 19th, A. D. 1792, in the 31st year of her age.

In memory of Julia Botsford, wife of Samuel S. Botsford, who died July 13, 1828, aged 28.

Alanson I. Boyd, died Aug. 5, 1872, Æ 58.

Francis Boyd, died June 4th, 1867, aged 78 years.

Ruth A., daughter of F. & D. Boyd, died Feb. 12, 1858, aged 18.

Blest sister, thou hast left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

Susannah E. Boyd, died Dec. 22, 1855, Æ 71. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.

Francis Boyd, died Feb. 12, 1842, aged 90. Sarah Boyd died Jan. 6, 1842, aged 73.

Anson Boyd, died July 29, 1841, aged 27. Russell Boyd died Oct. 8, 1827, aged 15.

Israel Bradley, died Aug. 20, 1858, aged. 80.

In memory of Betty Bradley, wife of Israel Bradley, who died Aug. 6, 1825, aged 42 years.

Sally, wife of Israel Bradley, died April 16, 1855, Æ 61.

In memory of James Edmond, who died May 15, 1797, aged 93 years. Jean, his wife, died Feb. 5, 1778, aged 76 years. Also in memory of two sons of James and Jean Edmond. William died Sept. 28, 1767, Aet 19. James died April 27, 1787, Aet 47. Ruth, his wife, died Mar. 26, 1799, Aet 50.

John Edmond, died Oct. 9, 1828, \AA 74.

In memory of Comfort, wife of Mr. John Edmond, who died Nov. 1, 1799, Aet 46.

In memory of Mrs. Jane, the wife of Mr. James Edmond. She departed this life February the 5, A. D. 1778, in the 76 year of her age.

In memory of Mary, the wife of Mr. Robert Edmond. Died August the 13, A. D. 1775, in the 39 year of her age.

In memory of Mr. John Edmonds, Jr., who died Nov. 24, 1817, aged 34 years.

How short the life of dying man,
His days on earth are but a span,
But only just begins to bloom,
Then drops into the tomb.

Also in memory of two children of John and Comfort Edmond. Eunice, b. Sept. 27th, 1776, died Mar. 19, 1778; Milly, b. Mar. 5. 1787, died Nov. 10. 1791.

In memory of William Edmond, who died Feb. 3d, 1834, aged 25 years & 5 months.

In memory of David P. Edmond, who died May 3, 1826, aged 47.

In memory of Clara Pierce, wife of David P. Edmond, died Oct. 3, 1868, \AA 85.

In memory of John P. Edmonds, died June 29, 1841, \AA 63.

John H. Edmonds, d. Sept. 26, 1871. \AA 64.

Harriet A. Edmonds, born Oct. 23, 1846, died May 17, 1864, aged 17 yrs. & 6 mo.

Loved one, early Jesus called thee,
Thou hast left us sad and lone,
But in heaven we hope to meet thee,
When our work on earth is done.

In memory of Garry French, who died May 4, 1830, aged 28 years, 1 month and 11 days.

In memory of William French, who died Oct. 14, 1832, aged 28 years and 3 days.

In memory of Mr. Bennett French, who died Feb. 14, 1831, aged 61.

In memory of Mrs. Betsey French, wife of Mr. Bennett French, who died May 2d, 1822, aged 45 years.

Abram L. Gilbert, died July 1, 1872, \AA 78. Ruth A., his wife, died Mar. 8, 1875, \AA 77.

Emily R. Bronson, died Sept. 2, 1873; aged 26. Susan M. Bronson, died Feb. 2, 1893, aged 47; wives of Birdsey Gilbert.

Willie Gilbert, died April 20, 1881, \AA 26.

Hiram R. Gilbert, died Sept. 9, 1880, aged 63.

Huldah A., wife of Hiram R. Gilbert, died Feb. 23, 1863, \AA 44.

Hattie A., wife of Fred Gilbert, died Dec. 27, 1878. We miss thee.

In memory of Julia Gilbert, who died June 19, 1833, aged 30 years.

Alonzo Hawley, died Oct. 13, 1875, aged 77. (Lived in the Purchase.)

In memory of Roccelania, wife of Alonzo Hawley, who died Nov. 3, 1814, aged 41 years.

Cornelia, daughter of Alonzo and Roccelania Hawley, died May 7, 1858, \AA 23. She sleeps in Jesus.

In memory of Samnel Hicok, who died March ye 22, A. D. 1766, in the 33 year of his age.

In memory of Betsey, daughter of Benajah and Molly Hill, who died 17 March, 1801, in the 4th year of her age.

In memory of Mrs. Love, wife of Solomon Johnson, who died Nov. 21st, 1801, in the 41st year of her age.

In memory of Rachel, daughter of Solomon & Love Johnson, who died May 26, 1801, in the 5th year of her age.

Jeremiah Johnson, died Feb. 12, 1857, \AA 74.

Mary P., wife of Jeremiah Johnson, died May 19, 1864, \AA 73.

Edmond E. Mallory, died April 13, 1881, \AA 80.

Esther, wife of Edmond E. Mallory, died March 9, 1881, aged 81.

William Mallory, (son of the above,) died April 22, 1881, aged 40.

Stiles J. Mallory, (son of Edmond,) died April 15, 1886, aged 51.

In memory of Polly, wife of Harvey Mallory, who died Feb. 18, 1835, aged 36 years.

———'twas heaven, why nipt this charming flower,
The first of death before the morning hour.

Eli Mallory, died Nov. 8, 1856, æ 82.

In memory of Eunis, wife of Eli Mallory, who died Sept. 24, 1843, aged 70 years.

In memory of Betsey, daughter of Eli and Eunice Mallory, who died Jan. 23, 1841, æ 4 years, 7 mo. & 19 ds.

Rev. Aaron Pearce, died Apr. 11, 1878, æ 89 years.

Cynthia, wife of Aaron Pierce, died June 12, 1848, in the 61 year of her age.

In memory of Annis, the Jaughter of Mr. Abraham and Ann Pearce, who died June the 18, A. D. 1771, aged 3 weeks.

Edward, son of Abraham & Ann Pierce, died Sept. 10th, 1787, in the 3d year of his age.

In memory of Benjamin Pearce, who died Dec. 16, 1844, æ 79 yrs. & 6 mo. Lucy, his wife, died Mar. 30, 1855, æ 78.

Chloe Pierce, died Apr. 10, 1877, aged 76.

In memory of Mrs. Comfort Pearce, who died Aug'st ye 23d, 1757, aged 60 years.

In memory of Mr. David Pearce, who departed this life January the 2d, A. D. 1786, aged 58 years and 1 day.

In memory of Elijah Pierce, who died Sept. 7, 1817, in the 77 year of his age.

In memory of the three children of Elijah and Esther Pierce. An infant son, born and died Nov. 3, 1779. Eljah, died Jan. 7, 1780, aged 2 years. Esther, died Sept. 12, 1783, aged 3 years.

In memory of Elisha Pierce, who died Jan. 17, 1842, æ 65. Rhoda, his wife, died Feb. 25, 1822, æ 40.

In memory of Russell, son of Elisha and Rhoda Pierce, died Feb. 2, 1802, aged 1 year & 11 months.

Erastus Pierce, died June 30, 1879, æ 82 yrs. & 4 mo.

Elosia Platt, wife of Erastus Pierce, died Feb. 16, 1875, æ 70 yrs. & 5 mo.

Anna L., wife of George P. Pierce, died Sept. 3, 1880, æ 31.
Gone but not forgotten.

Justus Pierce, died Dec. 23, 1889, aged 89.

Olive, wife of Justus Pierce, died Oct. 28, 1890, æ 86.

In memory of Mrs. Hannah, the wife of Justus Pearce. She died May ye 15th, A. D. 1759, aged 23 years.

In memory of Joel Pierce, who died Oct. 31, 1831, aged 76 years.

In memory of Arice, wife of Joel Pearce, who died Apr. 30, 1855, aged 92 years.

John Pierce died Sept. 15, 1852, æ 63.

Olive, wife of John Pierce, died Dec. 10, 1869, æ 71.

In memory of Erastus, the son of Mr. Joel and Mrs. Avis Pearce, who departed this life March the 23d, A. D. 1791, in the 6th year of his age.

In memory of Mr. John Pearce, who died November ye 3d, A. D. 1757, aged 76 years.

In memory of Deacon John Pearce, who departed this life July the 26th, A. D. 1788, in the 71st year of his age.

In memory of Mrs. Hannah, the wife of Deacon John Pearce. She died July ye 16, A. D. 1770, in the 49th year of her age.

Here lies the body of Joseph Pearce, Esq., who died Aug. 20, 1811, in the 87 year of his age.

Here lies the body of Mrs. Mary Pearce, relict of Joseph Pearce, Esq., who died Nov. 20, 1826, æ 100.

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, death is swallowed up in victory.

In memory of Aaron, son of Joseph Pearce, Esq., who died April the 5, A. D. 1777, in the 13 year of his age.

In memory of Mr. Nathan Pierce, who died Sept. 7th, 1805, aged 73 years

In memory of Mrs. Rachel, wife of Mr. Nathan Pierce 2d, who died July 24, 1816, aged 45 years.

A heap of dust alone remains of thee,

'Tis all thou art, and all the proud shall be.

Reuben Pierce, died May 17, 1853, aged 81.

Russell Pierce, died Jan 11, 1854, æ 52.

In memory of Samuel Pierce, who died April 29, 1800, aged 48 years.

Grave of Martha, relict of Samuel Pierce, died Jan. 3, 1847, aged 88 years 7 months. Also Edmonds Pierce, his son, died May 9, 1802, aged 23 years.

Starling Pierce died May 11, 1870, aged 70.

In memory of Titus Pearce, Esq., who died Nov. 29, 1826, aged 71.

In memory of Mrs. Abia Pearce, wife of Titus Pearce, Esq., who died Feb. 24, 1816, in the 64 year of her age.

Sacred to the memory of Phebe, daughter of Titus and Abia Pearce, who died May 3d, A. D. 1807, aged 16 years.

Truman Pierce, died Jan. 12, 1853, aged 77.

There are two rough headstones bearing the initials M P and N P.

Ammiel Platt, died Mar. 28, 1861, æ 79.

Aurenia, wife of Ammiel Platt, died Oct. 5, 1865, æ 82.

Ruth Ann, wife of Garwood Platt, died Dec. 24, 1873, æ 70.

Betsey Platt, died Dec. 3, 1892, aged 83.

David Platt, died Oct. 7, 1865, æ 75. Peaceful in death.

In memory of Mrs. Wealtha Platt, wife of Mr. David Platt, who died Feb. 11, 1818, aged 29 years.

In memory of Wealtha Ann, dau't of David and Wealtha Platt, who died Oct. 15, 1841, aged 25 years.

Julia, wife of David Platt, died Dec. 21, 1881, æ 82.

Edward Platt, Jan. 17, 1827.

Ellen Barnes, his wife, Feb. 4, 1828; Feb. 1, 1893.

Harry Platt, died Nov. 15, 1868, aged 64.

In memory of Isaac C. Platt, who died May 20, 1843, aged 69 years.

Also of Oliver, son of Isaac C. Platt, who died Aug. 29, 1838, aged 20 years.

In memory of Clark Platt, son of Isaac and Amy Platt, who died March 15, 1825, aged 26 years.

In memory of John Platt, who died Aug. 19, 1843, aged 88.

In memory of Currence Platt, wife of John Platt, who died July 25, 1839, aged 84.

In memory of Joseph Platt, who died April 9, 1845, aged 59 years.

In memory of Patty Holbrook, wife of Joseph Platt, who died Jan. 4, 1870, aged 80 years.

Meritt S. Platt, died May 5, 1891, æ 76.

In memory of Sidney Platt, who died Apr. 11, 1854, aged 31 years.

Hannah Platt, died Dec. 19, 1862, æ 81.

Dea. Simeon Platt, died Oct. 14, 1865, æ 73. Eliza, his wife, died Nov. 26, 1856, æ 60.

Martha, daughter of Simeon and Eliza Platt, died Feb. 12, 1871, aged 49.

Camelia, daughter of Dea. Simeon & Eliza Platt, died July 3, 1847, æ 13 yrs. 11 mo. & 9 d's.

In memory of Deacon Stephen Platt, who departed this life August the 30th, A. D. 1790, in the 73d year of his age.

In memory of Mrs. Hannah Platt, widow of Dea. Stephen Platt, who died Aug. 16th, 1809, in the 82d year of her age.

In memory of Amniel, the son of Mr. Stephen and Hannah Platt. He died May the 9th, A. D. 1778, in the 22d year of his age.

In memory of Andrew, the son of Mr. Stephen and Hannah Platt. He died Sept. the 1st, A. D. 1776, in the 18 year of his age.

In memory of Hannah, the daughter of Mr. Stephen and Hannah Platt, who died March the 13, A. D. 1776, in the 14 year of her age.

In memory of Abigail, daughter of Mr. Stephen and Hannah Platt. She died Sept. 11, A. D. 1776, in the 9th year of her age.

In memory of Stephen Platt, who died May 9, 1836, aged 88 years.

In memory of Elizabeth Platt, wife of Stephen Platt, who died June 25, 1827, aged 76.

Stephen S. Platt, died Nov. 12, 1868, æ 75.

Sally, wife of Stephen S. Platt, died Aug. 18, 1868, æ 75.

Sacred to the memory of Mr. Wm. Platt, who died Feb. 18, 1816, aged 51 years.

Beloved while living,

Received when dead.

Mercy, relict of William Platt, died March 6, 1864, aged 94.

William S. Platt, died May 8, 1859, æ 24.

In memory of Benjamin Russell, who died Nov. 1, 1847, aged 78 years, 11 mo. & 11 ds.

In memory of Eunice Russell, wife of Benjamin Russell, who died Oct. 2, A. D. 1811, aged 42 years. Also the two sons; Cyrus Ralph Russell, died Sept. 14, 1798, aged 11 years & 5 months. Cyrus Stiles Russell, who died Jan. 3, 1812, aged 10 years.

Betty Russell, wife of Benjamin Russell, died Mar. 3, 1842, aged 63.

Abijah Squire, died Nov. 12, 1855, æ 90.

Charry Squire, died Jan. 10, 1840, æ 69.

Charles M. Squires, died Dec. 30, 1882, æ 49.

Samuel John Stoddard, died March 10, 1891, æ 71.

Esther Ann Platt, His Wife, died Oct. 23, 1890, æ 68.

Martha A., wife of Joseph Towner, daughter of Samuel S. and Julia Botsford, died June 31, 1849, aged 25.

This languishing head is at rest,
Its thinking and aching are o'er,
This quiet immoveable breast
Is heaved by affliction no more.
This heart is no longer the seat
Of trouble and torturing pains,
It ceases to flutter and beat,
It never shall flutter again.

Hattie, wife of Jay Tyrrell, died April 5, 1872, æ 23. I loved thee dearly,

Rebecca C. Ward. Died Jan. 2, 1864, Aged 82.

Lucy Ward, died Mar. 6, 1869. Aged 78.

In Memory of Chloe Ward, who died Nov. 16, 1840, aged 65.

In Memory of Mr. Bethuel Ward who died March 5, 1813, aged 69 years.

In memory of Mrs. Ruth Ward, relict of Mr. Bethuel Ward, who died Feb. 28, 1816. æ 66.

A brown headstone with inscription partly obliterated, has these letters, as near as could be deciphered:

In memory of ————mon, the son ——— Andrew ———
bet ———unning ——— died ———ary the 9th———

SOUTH BRITAIN CEMETERY.

In memory of Josiah Allen, who died Dec. 20, 1835, in his 73 yr.
Isaac Allen, died Sept. 21, 1876, aged 45.

Susan E., daughter of Treat & Sarah Allen, died Mar. 31, 1832,
aged 6 yr. & 7 mo.

Phineas B. Averill, died Dec. 31, 1878, aged 69.

Rev. Jesse Bailey, born in Woolwich, Me., Jan. 29, 1860, died
at Buffalo Park, Col., Sept. 9, 1896.

Nathan C. Baldwin, M. D., Feb. 16, 1814. Dec. 24, 1885.

Mary Elizabeth, daughter of N. C. & S. M. Baldwin, died May
3, 1873, aged 25.

Sarah Maria, wife of Nathan C. Baldwin, died July 13, 1862,
aged 38 years.

Eleanor, daughter of N. C. & E. B. Baldwin, died Apr. 1, 1874,
aged 3 months.

Elizabeth B. Beardsley, died Sept. 5, 1856, aged 84, widow of
Abijah Beardsley of Derby.

In memory of Mrs. Patty Beardsley, wife of Elliot Beardsley,
Esq., who died Apr. 19, 1836, aged 33 yrs.

Gamaliel Benham, died July 11, 1855, aged 76.

Abigail, his wife, died Feb. 27, 1867, aged 92.

In memory of Mrs. Theodocia, wife of Mr. Gamaliel Benham,
who died April 5th, A. D. 1811, in the 28 yr. of her age.

Donald S. Benham, died Sep. 24, 1853, aged 36.

Elizabeth C., daughter of Eber & Olive Benham, died Feb. 29,
1810, aged 3 yrs. 2 mo. & 19 days.

In memory of Isaac Blackman, who died June 11, 1834, aged 68

Mary E., wife of Sylvester J. Bennett, & daughter of George
& Cornelia Canfield, died Sep. 24, 1859, aged 23 yrs. & 5 mo.

Libbie Bennett, died May 17, 1875, aged 16.

Georgie C. Bennett, died July 11, 1866, aged 11 yrs.

In memory of Capt. Lemuel Blackman, who died Jan. 31, 1806,
aged 44 yrs.

Mrs. Anna, relict of Capt. Lemuel Blackman, died Feb. 18, 1816,
in 52 yr. of her age.

In memory of Polly, daughter of Capt. Lemuel & Mrs. Anna
Blackman, who died Jan. 14, 1809, in the 16 of her age.

In memory of Elisha Bradley, who died Dec. 9, 1832, aged 72 yrs.

In memory of Anna B., wife of Elisha Bradley, who died Sept.
14, 1857, aged 94 yrs. & 4 mo.

In memory of Polly Bradley, daughter of Elisha & Anna Bradley, who died Apr. 1818, aged 19 years & 11 mo.

In memory of Mrs. Ann, wife of Mr. Anson Bradley, who died July 29, 1821, age 22 yrs. Their infant daughter died July 11, 1821.

Dea. Anson Bradley, died May 4, 1861, aged 65.

Anna Mitchell, his wife, died July 25, 1821, aged 22.

Harriet Canfield, wife Dea. Anson Bradley, died Apr. 3, 1879, aged 76 yrs.

Lemuel C., son of A. & H. C. Bradley, aged 3 yrs.

Children of E. B. & C. S. Bradley: Lottie, died May 13, 1853, aged 1 yr. & 4 mo.; Nora died June 4, 1869, aged 1 yr. 1 mo.

Elliott B. Bradley, died Sep. 4, 1886, aged 64 years.

Samuel S. Bradley, died Dec. 30, 1852, aged 38.

Olive P., wife of Lyman F. Bradley, died June 9, 1867, age 27.

In memory of Lemuel Bradley, who died Oct. 10, 1829, aged 2 yrs. 2 mo.

Edward B. Bradley, died Dec. 23, 1870, aged 7 yrs. 25 days.

David Bradley, died Oct. 19, 1864, aged 76.

Anna C., wife of David Bradley, died Jan. 5, 1867, aged 80.

Monson E., son of David & Hannah Bradley, died Oct. 22, 1862, aged 43.

Anna R. Bradley, died Jan. 17, 1880, aged 48.

BRADLEY—Henry Bradley, March 17, 1810; June 2, 1895.

Roxy Atkins, his wife, Apr. 6, 1812; Apr. 8, 1873.

Mary B. French, wife, Sept. 4, 1824; July 25, 1888.

Julia C. Towner, wife, May 8, 1815; Aug. 18, 1883.

Charles H. Bradley, son, Feb. 13, 1849; July 12, 1854.

Harriet N. Bradley, daughter, Sept. 12, 1850; July 6, 1896.

BRADLEY—Ann Bradley, wife of Ira Bradley, born July 2, 1810.

Hannah, wife of Ira Bradley, born Dec. 23, 1807, died July 24, 1864.

Harriet Sperry, wife of Ira Bradley, born Nov. 6, 1807, died Apr. 7, 1883.

Augusta A., daughter of Ira & Ann Bradley, born March 10, 1838; died Dec. 30, 1857, aged 20.

Anson Bray, died Oct. 18, 1875, aged 73. Betsey H., his wife, died Oct. 24, 1849, aged 43. Ellen Pierce, wife of Anson Bray, born June 1, 1812, died Feb. 8, 1887.

Catherine A., daughter of Anson & Betsey H. Bray, died Apr. 16, 1847, aged 9 years.

Morris P., son of Anson Betsey H. Bray, died Nov. 19, 1837.
aged 4 yrs. 4 mo.

Jane Ann, daughter Anson & Betsey H. Bray, died June 18,
1833, aged 3 yrs.

Catharine A., daughter of Anson & Betsey Bray, died July 19,
1830, aged 3 yrs. & 4 mo.

Cornelia F., daughter of Judson & Sarah Bray, died Nov. 21,
1837, aged 4 yrs. & 2 mo.

Amy, daughter of Capt. Nathan & Sally Bunnsey, died Nov.
29th, 1804, aged 3 yrs.

Eunice E., died May 24, 1838, aged 1 yr. 2 months & 13 days.

Franklin, died Nov. 11, 1838, aged 6 mo. & 1 day.

Franklin S., died Feb. 17, 1841, aged 5 mo. & 29 days

Children of Frederick B. & Mary Candee:

I like these little lambs, said he,

And lay them in my breast,

Protection they shall find in me,

In me be ever blest.

Polly Canfield, aged 77.

Burton Canfield, aged 70.

Lemuel Canfield, died Mar. 15, 1817, aged 30.

In memory of Mrs. Betsey, wife of Mr. Lemuel Canfield, who
died June 25th, A. D. 1810, in the 22 yr. of her age.

Father & mother. George Canfield, died Nov. 22, 1870, aged 68;
Cornelia H., wife, died Oct. 15, 1876, aged 76.

M. M. Canfield, born Mar. 30, 1809, died Apr. 19, 1891.

E. J. Canfield, born June 28, 1811, died 28, 1883.

Avril B. Canfield, died — 18, 1890, aged 53.

Hattie E. Canfield, died Aug. 18, 1870, aged 20 yrs.

Lemuel M. Canfield, died Sept. 5, 1854, aged 34.

William H., son of George & Cornelia Canfield; Serg't in Co.
G, 11 Reg't C. V., died at Hatteras inlet, N. C., Jan. 31, 1862, aged
21 yrs. & 9 months; reburied July 5, 1862.

To serve his country in her hour of need,

He left the friends, the tie he held so dear,

Willing for her to toil, for her to bleed,

Insensible to danger and to fear.

Susie E., daughter of N. K. & F. J. Carpenter, aged 1 year &
9 days.

Betsey, wife of George Chatfield, died May 5, 1876, aged 90.

George Clark, died Jan. 5th, 1889, aged 76 years.

Aurelia, daughter of Daniel & Phedime Clark, died June 2, 1797, aged 7 months.

Charlotta, died Nov. 19, 1842, aged 13 mo.; Sarah L., died Nov. 16, 1842, aged 6 yrs.; children of Josiah & Lucinda Coger. These lovely plants we wished to raise, resign them here we must, into the hands of God who gave, and in his mercy trust.

Betsey Ann, wife of Charles Cothren, died Aug. 3, 1861, aged 34 years. There is hushed on earth a voice of gladness, there is veiled a face whose parting leaves a dark and silent place by the once joyous hearth. A smile hath passed, which filled his home with light, a soul whose beauty made that smile so bright.

William, son of Olive & Joel Crane, died Aug. 29, 1810, aged 4 mo. & 9 days.

William Curtiss, died Sept. 11, 1815, aged 24.

Stop blooming youth, and mark how soon

My voyage of life was o'er,

Your sun like mine before 'tis noon

May set to rise no more.

Jennie M., wife of Chas. H. Curtis, born Oct. 29, 1860, died July 3, 1882.

David Davis, died Oct. 1, 1858, aged 64.

Polly Ann, wife of David Davis, died Feb. 24, 1856, aged 52.

Gertrude M., daughter of Clark & Ellen Davis, died Oct. 29, 1857, aged 2 yrs. 6 mo. & 16 days.

This lovely bud so young and fair,

Called hence by early doom,

Just came to show how sweet a flower

In paradise would bloom.

In memory of Deacon Ebenezer Down, who departed this life October the 1st, A. D. 1799, in the 84th year of his age.

In memory of Mrs. Dinah Down, wife of Deacon Ebenezer Down, who departed this life June 11, A. D. 1793, in the 88th year of her age.

Here lies the body of Mr. Ebenezer Downs, who departed this life June 28, A. D. 1793, in the 51st yr. of his age.

In memory of Sally, the daughter of Mr. Ebenezer and Mrs. Abigail Down, who departed this life May 14, A. D. 1791, aged 4 mo. 28 days.

In memory of Wildman Downs, who died Aug. 3, 1896, aged 31.

In memory of Eunice, wife of Wildman Downus, who died Feb. 13, 1853, aged 85.

Aaron Downus, died Apr. 19, 1825, aged 92.

Parcer, his wife, died May 8, 1825, aged 90 years.

In memory of Moses Downus, who died Feb. 21, 1822, aged 88.

In memory of Mrs. Ann Downus, wife of Moses Downus, who died Nov. 11, 1810, aged 73 yrs.

Mr. Moses Downus, died June 25, 1827, aged 57 yrs.

In memory of Belary, wife of Moses Downus, who died Oct. 9, 1834, aged 68 yrs.

Benjamin Downus, died Jan. 23, 1826, aged 77 yrs. & 29 days.

Comfort, wife of Benjamin Downus, died Jan. 8, 1826, aged 75 yrs. 8 mo.

In memory of Mr. Philo Downus, who died Apr. 10, 1816, aged 44.

Hannah, wife of Philo Downus, who died July 6, 1837, aged 80.

Nathan Downus, departed this life Jan. 29, 1819, aged 58.

In memory of Susanna, widow of Nathan Downus, who died Dec. 3, 1850, aged 87.

In memory of David, the son of Mr. Truman and Mrs. Sarah Down, who departed this life Oct. 22, A. D. 1790, in the 5 yr. of his age.

Smith Downus, died Oct. 11, 1826, aged 11 yrs. & 11 months.

In memory of Ruth S. Downus, who died Sept. 5, 1826, aged 15 yrs. 3 mo.

In memory of Mariett Smith, daughter of Smith & Ruth A. Downus, who died June 10, 1824, aged 1 yr. 6 mo.

In memory of Joel Downus, who died Apr. 20, 1824, aged 56.

In memory of Betty, wife of Joel Downus, who died Sept. 12, 1847, aged 77.

Ruth, daughter of Joel & Betty Downus, died Sept. 18, 1810, aged 2 yrs. 8 mo.

Marlas Downus, daughter of Mr. Philo & Mrs. Hannah Downus, died Sept. 7, 1815, aged 2 yr. 4 mo. & 5 days.

Henry Downus, died Jan. 8, 1856, aged 63.

Sarah Ann, wife of Henry Downus, died May 2, 1877, aged 80.

Charlotte, daughter of Henry & Sarah A. Downus, died Nov. 6, 1836, aged 9 mo.

Alvin R., son of Thomas M. & Cynthia Downus, died Sept. 11, 1849, aged 9 mo.

Curtis B. Downus, Oct. 22, 1817; July 30, 1892.

Mary C. Mitchell, his wife, Feb. 17, 1820; Nov. 2, 1896.

Daniel W. Downs, May 5, 1816; May 5, 1874.

Louisa M. Thompson, his wife, Dec. 22, 1816; Nov. 7, 1892.

Cornelia E., their daughter, June 11, 1840; Aug. 11, 1852.

Wait Downs, died Oct. 22, 1822, aged 45.

Phebe Downs, wife of Wait Downs, died May 9, 1838, aged 68.

Adaline Downs, Jan. 11, 1834; Aug. 1, 1888.

Erastus Down, died July 26, 1841, aged 44 years.

Betsey Downs, died Sept. 10, 1881, aged 88 yrs.

Henry W. Downs, died Nov. 9, 1851, aged 17 yrs.

Fanny Downs, died July 24, 1860, aged 42.

Helen F., daughter of Benj. P. & Phebe Downs, died May 3, 1853, aged 6 yrs. 7 mo. & 23 days.

This lovely bud so young and fair,
Called hence by early doom,
Just came to show sweet a flower
In paradise would bloom.

In memory of Caroline M., daughter of Benj. P. & Phebe M. Downs, who died Mar. 28, 1846, aged 7 mo. & 28 days. Beautiful and lovely she was but given a fair bud to earth to blossom in Heaven.

Ann M. Downs, whose earthly life of kindness and self sacrifice was closed Sept. 6, 1856, aged 23.

Dear sister, thou hast left us,
No more that friendly face we see,
Empty, ah! empty every place,
Once filled so well by thee.

The daughter of Henry & Sarah Ann Downs.

Oh may we all together meet
Around the throne of God above.

Laura Augusta, wife of A. B. Downes, & daughter of E. & J. A. Mitchell, died Aug. 18, 1862, aged 27.

Laura A. Mitchell, wife of Almon B. Downes, born Apr. 12, 1835; married Nov. 26, 1861; died Aug. 18, 1862.

Mr. Preston Downs, died June 28, 1827, aged 35 yrs. 8 mo.

Mrs. Sally, wife of Preston Downs, died Apr. 5, 1858, aged 57.

Cyrus Newton, son of Frederick H. & Harriet E. Gray, died Mar. 18, 1851, aged 5 yrs. & 28 days.

Farewell, dear friends, my memory keep,
While in death's arms my body sleep.
Short was my stay with you below,
Sooner or later all must go.

Infant son of Frederick H. & Harriet E. Gray, died Jan. 25, 1855.

Obadiah Guthrie, died Nov. 27, 1842, aged 74.

Bersheba, wife of Obadiah Guthrie, died Aug. 18, 1853, aged 77.

Sally Guthrie, died Mar. 31, A. D. 1842, aged 44 yrs.

William Guthrie, died Dec. 18, 1865, aged 65 yrs.

Polly Ann, his wife, died May 19, 1871, aged 69.

Infant son, only child, of William & Polly Ann Guthrie, died Sep. 2, 1843.

Ebenezer Guthrie, died Sept. 2, 1881, aged 77 yrs. An honest family lies here.

Harriet, wife of Ebenezer Guthrie, born Nov. 30, 1805. Died Dec. 10, 1871.

Theodore Guthrie, died July 10, 1852, aged 5 yrs. 5 mo. & 24 days.

Wm. H. Guthrie, died May 10, 1873, aged 31 yrs., 11 mo.

Eliza Downs, wife of John Guthrie, died Dec. 28, 1876, aged 61 yrs., 6 mo.

John Guthrie, born June 1, 1815; died Aug. 19, 1889.

Andrew H. Hamblin, Co. G, 11th Regt. Maine Vols., died Apr. 1, 1891.

Two children of David & Abigail Harris: Elijah, died Oct. 21, 1819, aged 8 yrs. & 21 days; Emaline, died Oct. 12, 1819, aged 6 yrs. 1 mo. 3 days.

In memory of Joseph, son of Seeley & Abigail Harris, who died March 22, 1846, aged 6 month & 4 days.

In memory of Ann Amelia, daughter of Seeley & Abigail Harris, who died Feb. 12, 1841, aged 1 yr. 5 mo. & 12 days.

Wadhams Post, G. A. R., No. 49, Franklin B. Hayes, Private, Co. F. 20th Conn. Vol., died Oct. 23, 1881; aged 38. He was a brave soldier, a faithful comrade and a loving, tender friend.

Margaret M., wife of Franklin B. Hayes, died Sept. 5, 1866, aged 22.

Do think as you pass by how sudden was my death,

And may you all prepared be before you end your breath.

Minnia, daughter of Elezar and Sarah Hazen, died Apr. 18, 1861, aged 2 yrs. & 8 mos.

My sad heart is breaking for doves that are flown; I shall meet in a far land my lost & my own; come back with the starlight, my fair one, to me; but not for thy mother.

Frederick H. Gray, 1822

Harriette, his wife, 1816, 1890.

In memory of Mr. Justus Hicok, who died Feb. 5th, A. D. 1800, in the 86th year of his age. He was the son of Dea. Benjamin Hicock, and was the father of five sons and two daughters, David, Gideon, Reuben, Mercy, Justus, Asa and Annis.

His life a Christian calm and still, and peaceful in his death,

Fully resigned to Heaven's will at his departing breath.

In memory of Mrs. Lois, the wife of Mr. Justus Hicok, who departed this life June 19, 1791.

In memory of Mr. David Hicok, who departed this life Aug. the 19th, A. D. 1784, in the 48 yr. of his age.

Julia E. Bradley, wife of Henry Hickox, born Aug. 31, 1838; died Oct. 12, 1884. Let her own works praise her in the gates.

In memory of Ebenezer Hinman, who died Nov. 16, 1807, aged 92 yrs. Elizabeth Hinman, his wife, died Feb. 9th, 1805, in the 85 yr. of her age.

Jonathau Hinman, died May 15, 1849, aged 86.

Betty, his wife, died Sept. 4, 1848, aged 92.

Daniel Hinman, Sept. 24, 1798. March 29, 1841.

Harriet Woodworth, his wife, Jan. 30, 1797. July 5, 1884.

Eunice Hinman, died May 30, 1859, aged 97 yr. & 5 days.

Wait Hinman, died Apr. 8, 1843, aged 81 yr. & 8 mo.

Cyrus Hinman, died Jan. 12, 1885, aged 78 yrs.

Eunice Benedict, his wife, died Dec. 2, 1892, aged 78. At rest.

Rachael Hollister, died July 19th, 1868, aged 76 years & 11 months.

Asa Hollister, died Nov. 5, 1883, aged 89 years, 8 months & 19 days.

Dea. George A. Hoyt, May 7, 1827. Dec. 21, 1895.

In memory of Justus Johnson, Esq., died Dec. 5, 1814, aged 64 yrs.

In memory of Judith, relict of Justus Johnson, Esq., who died July 22, 1838, in the 80th yr. of his age.

In memory of Amos Johnson, Esq., who died Nov. 1, 1824, aged 72.

In memory of Patience Johnson, wife of Amos Johnson, who died Feb. 4, 1793, aged 34 yrs.

In memory of Apuma Johnson, wife of Amos Johnson, who died Aug. 22, 1844, aged 82 yrs.

Walter, son of Amos & Ahame Johnson, died July 26, 1801, in the 3 yr. of his age.

Mr. Jehu Johnson, died May 22, 1810, aged 52.

In memory of Mrs. Love Johnson, wife of Jehu Johnson, who died Dec. 17th, 1808, aged 49.

In memory of Billy, son of Jehu & Love Johnson, who died Feb. 5, 1802, in the 12th yr. of his age.

In memory of Mr. William Johnson, who died Nov. 3, 1820, aged 35 yrs.

William M., son of William & Anna Johnson, died Apr. 8, 1810, aged 5 mo.

In memory of Mr. Moses Johnson, who died July, 1779, aged 45.

In memory of Mrs. Currence Johnson, wife of Charles Johnson, who died Dec. 6, 1870, aged 33 years.

Thus fade our sweetest comforts here,
Our dearest friends they disappear,
When the loud call from God is given
They sleep in death to wake in heaven.

Charles Johnson, died Mar. 27, 1877, aged 72 yrs. 2 months 16 days. Dear father we miss thee.

Nathaniel Kimberly, who died Feb. 3, 1780, aged 36.

In memory of Cyrus, son of Mr. Nathaniel & Mrs. Keziah Kimberly, who departed this life Aug. 8, A. D. 1788, in the 15th yr. of his age; killed by a kick of a horse. This stone was erected by his grandfather.

Twin infants, died May 18, 1850, sons of Anson S. & Sarah A. Knox. They were early blest.

Glover Laird, died Mar. 22, 1873, æ. 91 yrs. 7 mo. & 4 days.

Olive E. Hinman, born Sept. 28, 1797, died Mar. 13, 1887; wife of Glover Laird.

Abraham W. Leach, died Oct. 11, 1860, aged 72.

Do think as you pass by how sudden was my death,

And may you all prepared be before you end your breath.

Delia, daughter of Abraham & Catharine Leach, died Apr. 14, 1858, aged 40 years.

We wept to see thee die,
We mourn thy absence yet,
O may we meet thee in the sky
And all our tears forget.

John L. Lee, born June 22, 1829, died April 13, 1889. An honest man is the noblest work of God.

Walter J., son of John L. & Mary J. Lee, died Aug. 13, 1864, aged 5 yrs. & 23 days. We have loved thee on earth and hope to meet thee in Heaven.

Killed by a horse Feb. 13, 1833, Charles J., son of Judson & Minerva Manvill, aged 8 yrs. 7 mos.

Emma, daughter of Levi & Harriet A. Miller, died June 1, 1894, aged 21 yrs. & 5 months. He carries the lambs in his bosom.

In memory of Judson, son of the Rev. Mr. John Minor and Sarah, his wife, who departed this life Mar. ye 26, 1772, at 3 days old.

In memory of Richard, son of the Rev. Mr. John Minor and Sarah, his wife, who departed this life May ye 3, 1771, in the 10th month of his age.

Betty, wife of Dea. Josiah Minor, died Feb. 15, 1816, aged 70 yrs.

In memory of Dea. Eleazar Mitchell, who died Feb. 3, 1819, aged 86 yrs.

In memory of Mrs. Olive Mitchell, the wife of Dea. Eleazar Mitchell, who departed this life Mar. the 12th, A. D. 1780, in the 50th yr. of her age.

In memory of Benjamin, the son of Eleazar and Olive Mitchell, born June ye 30, in the year 1770, and died Aug. 15th, 1771, in the 14th month of his age.

Mr. Simeon Mitchell, died June 9, 1814, in the 55 yr. of his age.

Mrs. Hannah Mitchell, wife of Mr. Simeon Mitchell, died June 28, 1790, in the 23 yr. of her age.

In memory of Capt. Amos Mitchel, who departed this life Nov. 13th, 1807, in the 40th year of his age.

In memory of Mrs. Ruth, wife of Capt. Amos Mitchel, who departed this life Oct. 1st, 1801, in the 32 yr. of her age.

Also Harriet, daughter of Capt. Amos & Mrs. Ruth Mitchel, who died Sept. 27th, 1801, aged 13 months.

Betsey H. Mitchel, died Nov. 11, 1826, aged 19 yrs. & 6 mo.

Thus fades our sweetest comforts here,

Our dearest friends they disappear;

When the loud call from God is given,

They sleep in death to wake in Heaven.

Amos Mitchell, born Aug. 3, 1807, died Aug. 25, 1887, aged 80 years.

Thalia M. Mitchell, wife of Amos Mitchell, born 1808, died Aug. 14, 1849, aged 41 yrs.

William H. Mitchell, died Aug. 15, 1841, aged 11 weeks.

Esther M. Mitchell, wife of Amos Mitchell, born 1818, died Feb. 12, 1874, aged 56 yrs.

Cyrus Mitchell, died May 28, 1873, aged 82 yrs. 10 mo.

Avis Charlotte, wife of Cyrus Mitchell, died March 24, 1882, aged 90 yrs. 9 mo.

Dea. Warren Mitchell, died Jan. 30, 1842, aged 76.

Milly, wife Dea. Warren Mitchell, died Mar. 17, 1853, aged 82.

Nancy P. Mitchell, died Jan. 30, 1881, aged 78. Asleep in Jesus.

Elizur Mitchell, born Oct. 6, 1804, died May 11, 1897.

Cornelia A. Merwin, his wife, born April 20, 1807, died May 11, 1897.

Sacred to the memory of an infant son of Elizur & Cornelia M. Mitchell.

In memory of David M. Mitchell, son of Elizur and Cornelia M. Mitchell, who died Nov. 24, 1838, aged 15 mo. 16 days.

Benjamin Bruce, son of Elizur & Cornelia A. Mitchell, who was drowned in the Housatonic Sept. 4, 1854, aged 7 yr. 8 m.

Benjamin Bruce, son of Elizur & Cornelia M. A. Mitchell, was killed by being caught under a log May 11, 1843, aged 8 yrs. & 10 mos.

In memory of Mary, daughter of Elizur & Cornelia M. A. Mitchell, who died Feb. 21, 1842, aged 2 yrs.

Erastus Mitchell, died Feb. 9, 1869, aged 69.

Judith A., his wife, died Aug. 12, 1892, aged 83.

Ann Eliza, eldest daughter of E. & J. A. Mitchell, died Oct. 19, 1848, aged 18.

Mrs. Anne Mitchel, wife of Mr. Simeon Mitchel, died Apr. 10, 1828, in the 65 year of her age.

Betsey Mitchell, died Nov. 18, 1870, aged 53. What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.

Charles W., son of N. W. & Edna E. Mitchell, died June 18, 1882, aged 21 yrs.

In memory of Eunice M., wife of Matthew E. Mitchell and daughter of Seth Noble & Olive Wheeler, who died Jan. 11, 1832, aged 28 years.

Emeline Canfield, wife of Oliver Mitchell, died Aug. 30, 1884, aged 57.

Mary Ann, wife of Oliver Mitchell, died June 18, 1866, aged 49.

In memory of Benj. Mitchell, who died Sept. 13, 1842, aged 65 yr. 4 m.

In memory of Hannah, relict of Benjamin Mitchell, who died Dec. 3, 1847, aged 67 yrs. 1 mo. 9 days.

In memory of Laura, daughter of Benjamin & Hannah Mitchell, who died June 11, 1834, aged 17 yrs. 1 mo. & 27 days.

In memory of Phebe Ann, daughter of Benjamin & Hannah Mitchell, who died Feb. 12, 1828, aged 18 yrs. 7 mo. and 14 days.

Bennett, son of Benjamin & Hannah Mitchell, died June 13, 1827, aged 3 weeks. Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not.—Mark 10:14.

Our Harrie, son of Henry P. & Phebe S. Mitchell, died Nov. 15, 1879, aged 7 months.

Daughter of Frank H. & Emma D. Mitchell. Aug. 10, 1889. Oct. 8, 1891. The little face that smiled so sweet is not forgotten here.

Orin H. Murphy, died May 18, 1872, aged 57 years.

Julia, wife of Orin H. Murphy, died July 29, 1882, aged 66.

In memory of John Noble, who died Nov. 1, 1835, aged 61 yr.

Mrs. Sarah H. Noble, wife of John Noble, died Sept. 29, 1840, aged 64 years.

David Noble, died Nov. 9, 1800, aged 77 yrs.

Lois Eliza, his wife, died March 22nd, 1887, aged 68.

Henrietta Bray, wife of David Noble, died Sept. 22, 1840, aged 22.

Sarah J. Noble, wife of George Somers, died Aug. 27, 1864, aged 27.

In memory of Daniel, the son of Zebulon and Naomi Norton, who died May 10, 1771, in the 9 yr. of his age.

George F. Ohngemach, Feb. 28, 1893, aged 88 yrs.

Levi Peck. Apr. 1, 1758. Aug. 8, 1836.

Ennice Erwin, his wife, Aug. 20, 1771. Apr. 8, 1855.

George S., their son, Mar. 22, 1814. Dec. 22, 1828.

Nancy Peck Johnson, their daughter, Nov. 15, 1802. Apr. 19, 1892.

Elizur Perkins, died Dec. 31, 1893, aged 63.

Ida, his wife, died June 23, 1895, aged 64.

William T. Perkins, died Jan. 11, 1883, aged 26 yrs.

John B. Perkins, died Oct. 17, 1882, aged 28 yrs. Buried at Port Henry, N. Y.

In memory of Joseph Pierce, who died Nov. 19, 1836, aged 74.

In memory of Sarah, wife of Joseph Pierce, who died July 27, 1847, aged 82.

Noble Pearce, died Dec. 21, 1826, in his 35 year.

Joseph Pierce, died Dec. 22, 1874, aged 84 yrs. & 8 mo.

Charity, wife of Joseph Pierce, died Mar. 23, 1875, aged 84 yrs. & 2 mo.

Charles S. Pierce, died Dec. 1, 1888, aged 74.

Eliza T., wife of Charles S. Pierce, died Sept. 2, 1882, aged 51 yrs.

Ella Judson Pierce. June 16, 1868. November 13, 1890.

George N. Platt, died Mar. 25, 1890, aged 63.

Little Johnnie, son of David C. & Emma M. Platt. Born Sept. 20, 1880. Died Sept. 7, 1881.

John W. Platt, son of Sidney S. and Jane E. Platt, died Sept. 18, 1880, aged 28.

Henry Post, died June 10, 1847, aged 50 yrs.

Martha, his wife, died July 24, 1859, aged 64.

Jane A. Lewis, wife of Henry M. Post, died Jan. 27, 1873, aged 40 years & 5 months.

Betty, wife of Joseph Post, died Apr. 20, 1847, aged 82.

Samuel W. Post.———

Cythera M., his wife, born Nov. 2, 1828; died Feb. 27, 1891.

Lillian J., daughter of Samuel W. & Cythera M. Post, born Apr. 26, 1862; died Mar. 13, 1891.

Anna Prime, died Mar. 27, 1851, aged 72.

John Roberts, died Feb. 14, 1862, aged 71.

Sally, wife of John Roberts, died Jan. 19, 1854, aged 68.

In memory of George E. Roberts, son of Mr. John and Mrs. Sallie Roberts, who died Sept. 4, 1818, aged 3 mo. & 9 days.

In memory of William H. Roberts, who died Feb. 26, 1848, aged 31.

O think when you pass by how sudden was my death,

And may you all prepare to die before you end your breath.

Bethuel T. Russell, died May 5, 1872, aged 51 years.

In memory of William A., son of Erastus & Harriet H. Ryan, who died March 23, 1846, aged 1 year 7 months & 4 days.

This lovely plant we wished to raise

Resign him here we must,

Into the hands of God who gave

And in his mercy trust.

Olive, wife of David Stebens Sanford, died Feb. 22, 1824, aged 66; also Asa Sanford, died in Cadiz, Spain, Feb. 16, 1822, aged 29 yrs.

David Stebins Sanford, died Mar. 22, 1836, aged 79.

Hiram Shelton, Olive, his wife. I am forgotten as a dead man

out of mind. I am like a broken vessel, for I have heard the slander of many, fear was on every side, while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life, but I trusted in thee, O Lord, I said thou art my God.

Two children of Mr. Justin & Mrs. Senea Sherman, Walter Rowe, died Oct. 1, 1819, aged 1 yr. 3 mo. & 2 days. Mary Eliza died Oct. 26, 1819, aged 3 yrs. 9 mo. 26 days.

In memory of Rev. Noah Smith, who died Oct. 1830, aged 36.

In memory of Mrs. Mary Smith, who died Dec. 19, 1816, in the 74 yr. of her age; she was formerly wife of Moses Johnson.

George Smith, born July 5, 1806; died Oct. 20, 1887.

Mariette E. Stiles, wife of George Smith, born July 8, 1812, died July 17, 1883.

SMITH—Samuel Smith, Feb. 2, 1804; Oct. 30, 1856

Caroline Curtiss, his wife, May 29, 1802; Sept. 19, 1846.

Emma, Feb. 17, 1848, Aug. 9, 1852.

Ella, Mar. 15, 1854; June 13, 1854.

Children of Samuel & Eliza Smith.

George, Aug. 15, 1839; Jan. 22, 1841.

Caroline D., June 27, 1843; Oct. 5, 1849.

Children of Samuel & Caroline C. Smith.

Mary Ann Sperry, died July 7, 1881, aged 71.

In memory of Mr. James Stancliff, who departed this life, Dec. 27, A. D., 1785, in the 74 year of his age.

David R. Stevens, died Dec. 30, 1878, aged 47.

Olive Stevens, died Apr. 9, 1884, aged 62 years.

Charles Edward, son of Charles H. & Frances J. Stillson, died June 14, 1882, aged 14 mos.

Charles Thompson, died Aug. 5, 1874, aged 84.

Orrilla, his wife, died May 20, 1876, aged 83.

William, son of Charles & Orrilla Thompson, died Sept. 11, 1815, aged 5 mo.

Nelson Hinman, died Feb. 7, 1871, aged 71.

John M. Thompson, died 1869.

Isaac, son of Doct. Joseph & Sally E. Tomlinson, died March 1, 1832, aged 1 yr.

In memory of Anah, the daughter of Lenil Thomas Tousey and Mercy, his wife. She died Dec. the 13, A. D. 1777, in the 16 year of her age.

In memory of Capt. Bethuel Treat, who died March 25, 1820, in 82d yr. Anna, his wife, died May 4, 1785, aged 42 yrs.

Mrs. Keziah, wife of Capt. Bethuel Treat, died Oct. 8, 1824, aged 74.

In memory of Easter, daughter of Bethuel and Anne Treat, who departed this life July ye 28, A. D. 1772 in the 6 year of her age.

In memory of Anne Treat, the daughter of Capt. Bethuel Treat, who departed this life March the 24th, A. D. 1786, aged 23 years.

Bethuel Treat, died Aug. 30, 1855, aged 86.

Polly, wife of Bethuel Treat, died Apr. 29, 1856, aged 86.

Sacred to the memory of Amanda Treat, wife of Bethuel Treat, who died Nov. 8, 1847, aged 41.

Bethuel Treat, died Apr. 9, 1875, aged 68.

An infant son of Bethuel and Mary Treat, died at its birth, Sept. 9, 1850.

Mary Northrop, daughter of Bethuel & Mary Treat, died Aug. 18, 1853, aged 3 weeks.

Isaac R. Treat, died Jan. 10, 1858, æ 63.

Jane E., daughter of Isaac R. & Currence Treat. Died Nov. 20, 1895, in her 78th year.

Alfred Treat. Died Aug. 3, 1856, aged 81. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

Lydia M., wife of Alfred Treat, died May 7, 1851, aged 70. She sleeps in Jesus.

Lydia Ann, daughter of Alfred & Lydia Treat, died Oct. 31, 1822, aged 21 yrs. & 5 months.

Although she sleeps her memory doth live,

And pleasing comforts to her mourners give.

No private interests did her soul invade,

No foe she injured nor no friend betrayed.

She followed virtue as her truest guide,

Lived as a Christian and a Christian died.

Sacred to the memory of Rev. Newton Tuttle, who died Dec. 12, 1833, aged 65 yr. & 6 mo.

In memory of Ruth Tuttle, wife of Rev. Newton Tuttle, who died July 7, 1850, aged 82 yr. 11 mo & 20 days.

In memory of Jennet, daughter of Newton & Ruth Tuttle, who departed this life May 6, 1816, aged 9 yrs.

Johnson Tuttle. Born Feb. 23, 1797. Died Jan. 3, 1878.

Ester Hinman, his wife. Born Feb. 18, 1800. Died July 1, 1890.

Charlotte Tuttle. Died Mar. 18, 1874, aged 77.

Benjamin Tuttle, died Aug. 15, 1848, æ 56.

Noah B. Tuttle. Born Aug. 24, 1826. Died May 30, 1885.

Susan C., his wife. Born July 10, 1829. Died Apr. 13, 1890.

Our Father. Newton Tuttle. Died Nov. 22, 1880, aged 81 yr. & 5 mo.

Our Mother. Eliza, wife of Newton Tuttle, Jr. Died June 8, 1873. Aged 75 yr. & 7 months.

Cyrus Tuttle, died June 8, 1855, aged 65.

Betsey, wife of Cyrus Tuttle, died June 23, 1877.

In memory of William Vose, who died Dec. 16, 1831, aged 67.

Also Eunice, his wife, died July 19, 1819, aged 46.

In memory of Rachel Vose, who died Feb. 17, 1839, aged 42.

Also Betsey Vose, died Dec. 29, 1845, aged 51.

In memory of Julia A., wife of Merwin Waller, who died March 6, 1850, aged 23 yrs. 1 mo. & 26 days.

In memory of Mary F., daughter of William & Mary Ward, who died Apr. 24, 1846, aged 2 yrs. & 2 mo.

Elizabeth M., daughter of Thomas & Catherine Ward, died Sept. 27, 1859, aged 24.

Walter J., son of Abram & Nancy Warner, died July 13, 1869, aged 22. Gone but not forgotten.

Aphelia S., daughter of Abram & Nancy Warner, died Nov. 3, 1863, aged 14.

Weep not for me, my parents dear,

I am not dead, but sleeping here ;

I was not yours, but God's alone ;

He loved me best and took me home.

Charles, son of Abram & Nancy Warner, died Jan. 21, 1853, aged 16 yrs. & 6 mo.

Delia, daughter of Abram & Nancy Warner, died Apr. 4, 1862, aged 8. Sleep on, sweet child, your pains are past, Your throbbing heart will beat no more ; Sleep sweetly in your lonely bed, Till the trumpet awakes the dead.

In memory of Mr. Samuel Wheeler who departed this life Aug. the 10, A. D. 1786, aged 73 yrs. 10 mo.

In memory of Mrs. Rebekah, relict of Mr. Samuel Wheeler, who died July 8th, 1804, aged 88 yrs.

In memory of Mr. Agur Wheeler who died Dec. 10, A. D. 1802, in the 84 yr. of his age.

Asa H. Wheeler, died Aug. 7, A. D. 1801, aged 34 yrs.

Josiah, son of Asa and Sylvane Wheeler, died Apr. 17th, A. D. 1803, aged 15 yrs.

Samuel Wheeler, born May 18, 1786; died Nov. 17, 1863.

Ora H. Hinman, his wife, born Jan. 12, 1788; died Aug. 5, 1858.

Nathan H., son of Samuel & Ora Wheeler, died June 14, 1822,
aged 8 yr. 2 mo. & 4 days.

Children of Samuel & Ora S. Wheeler :

Nathan H., born Apr. 10, 1814; died June 14, 1822.

Samuel, born Dec. 1, 1828; died 1830.

Sarah M., born Aug. 21, 1822; died Jan. 14, 1852.

Laurella Tyler, born Oct. 14, 1833; died July 26, 1889.

In memory of Seth N. Wheeler, who died Dec. 31, 1841, aged 71
yrs.

Olive, wife of Seth N. Wheeler, died Feb. 5, 1864, aged 89 yrs.

In memory of Betsey, wife of Peter Coakley, daughter of Seth N.
& Olive Wheeler, died Apr. 13, 1831, aged 32 yrs. Also of Ann, her
sister, who died in Washington and was buried there, Jan. 1, 1827,
aged 15 yrs.

Sacred to the memory of Mr. Johnson Wheeler, born July 4,
1753; died May 10, 1829.

Silence Wheeler, wife of Johnson Wheeler, died Oct. 9, 1809,
aged 26.

Rebecca Ann Wheeler, died Aug. 1, 1825, aged 21 yrs.

Memory of Caleb Wheton, who departed this life Dec. ye 30, A.
D. 1777, in the 30 yr. of his age.

Anson G. Winship, died Apr. 20, 1893, aged 40 years.

Amy Woodin, died May 6, 1820, aged 32 years.

In memory of Mrs. Hannah, wife of Mr. David Bradley, who
died Dec. 12, 1821, aged 23 yrs. An infant of theirs died July 29, 1817.

THE WARNER BURIAL GROUND.

Mr. Samuel Curtis, died Jan. 28, 1813, Æ 76.

Mrs. Currence Curtis, relict of Mr. Samuel Curtis, died July 24,
1813, Æ 73.

Infant son of David & Betty Ann Davis, died May 10, 1846, Æ
11 m.

Keziah Bassett, died May 6, 1842, aged 77 y'rs.

Theodore C., son of Charles & Harriet Edmond, died April 10, 1829, aged 7 years.

John S., son Henry & Mariah Pest, drowned July 23, 1844, æ 9 yrs.
 Sleep on, dear John, and take thy rest,
 God called thee home, He thought it best.

Noadiah Warner, died Jan. 16, 1839, æ 74. Also Polly, his wife, who died Nov. 59, 1832, æ 70.

Agur Warner, died Mar. 3, 1871, æ 82.

Polly, wife of Agur Warner, died Jan. 10, 1866, æ 76.

Laura J., wife of Noadiah Warner, died May 23, 1861, æ 38.



Allen L., son of Noadiah and Laura J. Warner, killed at Bedford, N. Y., June 10, 1868, æ 24.

We loved him, yes, we loved him,
 But angels loved him more,
 And they have sweetly called him
 To yonder shining shore.
 The golden gates were opened,
 A gentle voice said, Come,
 And with farewell unspoken
 He quickly entered home.

Mary, daughter of Noadiah & Laura J. Warner, died June 30, 1845, æ 2 yrs.

Mary, daughter of Noadiah and Laura J. Warner, died Jan 22, 1870, æ 24.

A light is from our circle gone,
 A voice we loved is still,
 A place is vacant in our midst,
 Which never can be filled.
 A gentle heart that throbbed but now
 With tenderness and love,
 Has hushed its weary throbbing here
 To throb in bliss above.
 We call her dead, but well we know
 She dwells where living waters flow.

In memory of Augustus Warner, who died Oct. 14, 1829, aged 55 years. Also an infant son of Augustus and Maria Warner.

In memory of Daniel Clark, who died Oct. 21st, 1831, aged 67 years.

THE GEORGES HILL BURIAL GROUND.

Phedime Clark, wife of Daniel Clark, died in the faith of Christ, March 22nd, 1819, aged 57 years.

In memory of Deborah Clark, wife of Daniel Clark, who died Oct. 5th, 1866, aged 88.

In memory of Stiles, son of Lewis and Maria Curtis, who died April 5th, 1842, aged three years and 3 months.

In memory of Polly, wife of Lewis Curtis, who died Jan. 4, 1831, aged 44 years.

In memory of three daughters of Mr. Silas and Mrs. Anna French.

Sarah Ann died Jan. 23rd, 1813, aged 13 years & 3 months.

Laura A. died Jan. 9th, 1818, aged 7 years & 9 months.

Sarah died March 2nd, 1803, aged 16 days.

Edgar M. died April 10th, 1833, aged 8 years. Elsie M. died May 5th, 1833, aged 3 years. Children of David and Sally Harris.

These lovely buds so young and fair,

Called hence by early doom,

Just came to show how sweet a flower

In paradise would bloom.

In memory of Daniel M., son of David and Sally Harris, who died April 16th, 1842, aged 5 years and 6 months, also Franklin M., who died Mar. 22nd, 1842, aged 1 yr. & 4 mo.

Leveritt Hirman, died Feb. 23rd, 1838, aged 30 years.

Sarah Hubbell, died Oct. 19th, 1803.

In memory of Abbey Lattin, who died Sept. 1st, 1841, aged 54 yrs., 7 mon. & 11 days. How blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

Robert Treadwell, died June 2, 1829, aged 47.

Died trusting in his Redeemer.

Erected to the memory of Mrs. Sophia Treadwell, wife of Mr. Robert Treadwell and daughter of Mr. Justin and Mrs. Mary Smith of Bridgeport, who died Feb. 29, 1808, eleven days after the birth of her second child, in the 21st year of her age.

How lov'd how valu'd once avails thee not,

To whom related or by whom begot,

A heap of dust alone remains of thee,

Tis all thou art and all the proud shall be.

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Jesse Lee and other Methodist preachers came through this section early in the nineties of the last century, preaching in houses which were opened to them and sometimes in the shade of the spreading elms and maples, and a class was formed on George's Hill, including in its early membership Newton Tuttle, Daniel Clark, Joseph Pierce, Eber Griswold, Anna French and others.

It is said that the society was organized in 1803, and there has been regular preaching ever since, at Georges Hill, until 1832, and since then at South Britain center.

Previous to the formation of the Methodist society there had been a small Baptist meeting-house on Good Hill, east side, near the foot of the hill, but the membership had almost dwindled away.

Meetings were held in the schoolhouse on George's Hill for a number of years, and about 1815 the schoolhouse was enlarged and remodeled, and adapted more especially for religious meetings, and was then known as the "meetinghouse." A graveyard was opened near by, some five hundred feet east of the roadway, where a few memorial stones remain, as described on another page in this volume. The society and congregation continued to increase in numbers until the church was filled to its utmost capacity, and finally became too small to accommodate the congregation.

Among the zealous members of this early church were Judson Manville, who built the brick house in South Britain, and his wife, who afterward moved to Ohio; Augustus Warner and wife, of Wapping; Erastus Pierce, steward and trustee; Abel Bronson, Daniel Clark and his wife, Dinny; Richard Bray, Newton Tuttle and his wife, Ruth; Huthwit Tuttle, who became a member in 1821; and the sons of Newton Tuttle—Benjamin and wife Charlotte, Johnson and wife Esther, Newton and wife Eliza; Elijah Hine and wife of Kettletown, Bennett Lewis and wife, Aaron Lewis and wife, Olive Burr, and Thomas Solly and wife, who lived about half a mile west of the Hulls Hill schoolhouse.

John Winterbottom, the father of Mrs. Ann S. Stephens, used also to attend services on Georges Hill. He lived in South Britain, in what is now the M. E. parsonage, and kept a store. He failed in business and moved to Humphreysville. Ransom Hinman, proprietor of a hat shop at Kettletown, was also a member of the Georges Hill church.

The Leighs, who run a woolen mill at Pookups, were also Methodists. They afterward moved to Humphreysville.

There were also Stephen Harris with his wife and three sons, who lived in what was later known as the Amos White place. Of the sons there were—David and his wife Sally, who moved to Norwalk, Seeley died in Danbury, Sylvester, and William, who afterward lived in Shelton and is now at the Soldiers' Home,

The first Sundayschool was established in 1829. There had before that date been an adult class in bible study on Georges Hill.

The quarterly meetings were important occasions and the ministers and people who came from a distance usually remained over night and were provided with meals and lodgings by those who lived near. Among the best known of the Presiding Elders who came to preside at the Quarterly Conferences was Rev. Heman Bangs. In those days the Presiding Elder was regarded with as much deference as is the bishop now.

The center of population and church membership being further north it was decided to build a church at South Britain. A piece of land, that on which the church now stands, was given for that purpose by Erastus Pierce, the father of Rev. David F. Pierce, and in 1832 a larger and more convenient edifice was built, and the original meetinghouse has long since disappeared. The church of 1832 was enlarged and improved in 1851, much as it now stands.

Among the early workers in the church were Newton Tuttle, Sen., a local preacher, Daniel Clark, Rev. Aaron Pierce, Erastus Pierce, an exhorter, class leader and steward, and Enoch and Russell Ford, Newton Tuttle was converted about 1784, says George F. Tuttle, in his book on the Tuttle family. He was soon licensed to preach, and for many years had pastoral charge of the Southbury and other churches. He was a man of great force of character and was of remarkable benefit and usefulness in the community. He did a large proportion of public business, settled many estates, was interested in manufacturing enterprises to which he gave much attention, as well as to the work of his farm. He also represented the town of Southbury in the Legislature in 1824 and 1828. He died Mar. 12, 1833.

Orrin A. Murphy and Abel Bronson were classleaders in 1851. The latter lived in Black Swamp, north of the Center. Anson Bray was a leader in 1861, and his son, Rev. Spencer H. Bray, became a minister of high repute in the denomination. The parsonage in South Britain was presented to the society by William Guthrie. In 1860 the society numbered about sixtyfour communicants and there were four classes. George Curtis was Sundayschool superintendent and steward in 1863. David Noble was one of the official members in 1863. The following very interesting sketch was kindly contributed by Rev. Wm. T. Gilbert at the request of the compiler of this book.

PASTORATE OF REV. WM. T. GILBERT.

I was appointed by Bishop Ames to the charge of the Methodist Episcopal churches in Southbury and South Britain in the spring of 1861, the Rev. Wm. C. Hoyt being the presiding elder.

The pastor's residence was then in Southbury in a house provided by Henry B. Stiles and Lewis Smith, situated on the west side of the village street, just south of the road to Roxbury. Here the two societies united in an annual visit to the pastor at which in addition to the festivities of the occasion his salary was supplemented with contributions of funds and domestic supplies.

Here were passed two years of pleasant memories, among which was the addition to the family of a third daughter. My pulpit ministrations were rendered on alternate Sundays to each half of the charge, and in each church the vacant Sunday was generally filled by a local supply.

The Sunday drive to South Britain is recollectively associated with a passage southward through the shady and spacious streets of Southbury village, through the evergreens that darken and adorn the winding course of the Pomperaug river, across the low bridge which can be safely crossed when not overflowed, past a red house which has since disappeared but was then occupied by Titus Pierce, the trusty keeper of the town records, to the nook where a tidy village nestles between the hills that flank it on the east and west.

It contained a grist mill, a woolen mill, a harness shop, two stores, a postoffice and two churches, one facing the west and the other the south. The pastor of the latter was the Rev. J. M. Wolcott, a college acquaintance and friend.

Behind the former edifice and on either side were the vehicles that had brought the congregation from Georges Hill, Wapping or Benetts Bridge, Pootatook, the Purchase, Flag Swamp, Pierce Hollow

and other neighborhoods. Over the deep lobby and behind the choir gallery, was the class and prayermeeting room, in which during the session of the Sundayschool, between the morning and afternoon services a dozen or more customarily met for social worship and the relation of experience. The pulpit themes were such phases of the gospel as study of the scriptures and meditation suggested to the mind of the speaker as adapted to feed the flock.

In the front seat at the right, affording the best opportunity both to see and hear, sat an attentive and thoughtful hearer with expressive gray eyes and silvered locks—Erastus Pierce, an official member and a man of influence within and without the church; and beside him was his wife, more stout in person and more florid in complexion. Of their two sons, Granville, the older, was graduated at Yale, served for some years in the navy, and afterward resided at Boston, Mass.

The younger son, the Rev. David F. Pierce, was, during my pastorate, in infirm health, but a few years later he became a local preacher and took appointments under the Presiding Elder and contemplated a connection with New York East Conference, but finding that filial duty called him home, connected himself with the Congregational body, of which he became a minister and served for some years as pastor of the Congregational church in Southbury.

I should probably here refer to a brother of Erastus Pierce, the Rev. Aaron Pierce, who was a native of South Britain, and, I presume, a member of the church at an earlier date. He was a member of the New York Conference before its division and occupied fields of labor on Long Island. Not finding his health sufficient for the ministry he accepted a local relation and engaged in agriculture in Ohio. He was twice married and twice a widower. He passed his closing years in the family of his younger sister, Mrs. Eli Mallory, of East Village, in the town of Monroe, near the home of his twin sister, Mrs. Charles Tomlinson, where I had the pleasure to make his acquaintance. Both of these twins, I think, passed beyond the age of 90.

When about six years old his life was imperilled by a fall from a loaded ox-cart, one of the wheels passing over his body. He was a constant attendant and liberal supporter of the church in East Village during my three years' pastorate—'70-2—and at his death left to that church securities whose par value was \$1,500, but which soon depreciated; \$1,000 to the American Bible Society, some remembrances to relatives, and a considerable residue to the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church. He continued to preach occasionally till near the age

of ninety, and departed an old man and full of days, and was buried in the Pierce Hollow Cemetery.

Prominent as were the Pierces, another family excelled them, at least in numbers—the Tuttles. Newton Tuttle and his wife Eliza were residents of the village. Johnson and Esther Tuttle were located on Georges Hill, as was also their son-in-law, Frederick H. Gray.

In the same region was the residence of Mrs. Charlotte Tuttle, a mother not only of a family but also a mother in Israel. Her son Noah B. was one of the village merchants, and his family, together with the families of his sisters, Mrs. Sallie Curtis and Mrs. Elliott Bradley, constituted no unimportant part of the congregation. Polly A. Tuttle had become the wife of William Guthrie, who donated to the society the present convenient parsonage, and through the efforts of that laborious pastor, the Rev. Wm. H. Stebbins, it was renovated and made the comfortable home it has since been.

Among the pillars of those days was Anson Bray, from time immemorial the village postmaster. His house, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, was probably more widely known and more frequently visited than any other in the village. His son, Spencer H. Bray, was received into full membership by the Rev. Stephen J. Stebbins, March 11, 1858.

During my pastorate the spirit of the Lord began to move him to deeds of prowess for the furtherance of the Master's work in Roxbury and other parts, and through his labors believers not a few were there and elsewhere added to the Lord, who are still his epistolary credentials read and known of all. After joining the New York East Conference and serving various important churches he changed his church relations but not his message.

His cousin, Edward L. Bray, with his congenial wife, Laura Peck, had a somewhat longer membership in the South Britain church. He was the miller of the place and an exhorter or local preacher, and more often I think than any other supplied the vacancies in both pulpits. In 1866 he was received into the Annual Conference and stationed at Cornwall Bridge and remained in the effective relation till his superannuation in 1895.

Another miller, David Noble, lived in South Britain and pursued his vocation in Sandy Hook and held his church membership with us.

A man of force in things secular and religious was Enoch Ford, whose family were members of the choir. His subsequent removal to Southville led to a transfer of membership to the Congregational church in Brookfield, in which he was elected to the office of deacon.

There was one member—and he still survives—who was denied the pleasures and advantages of sight, but his hearing was good and he generally availed himself of it on the Lord's day. Down from the green fields of the Purchase he regularly came, with his worthy wife and his sons and daughters, to the village sanctuary, and his hearty rendering of the songs of Zion is still ringing in my ears. After saying this I shall scarcely need to write the name of Russell Ford.

Near him lived an intelligent and thrifty farmer whom I always loved to meet and at whose table I was always glad to sit. He had been a member of the other church. He changed his church relations but not his relations to the church and the church's head. His name was Bethuel Treat. About once a month on Sunday evening a service was held and a sermon delivered in the schoolhouse in this district, the Purchase.

Further north and east, as I remember the country, resided Ely Pierce and wife and their two bright daughters—Rachel, now the wife of Henry B. Russell of Southbury, and Lucy, whom on the 1st of January, 1870, I united in marriage to Jay Camp of Middlebury, and who has now joined her husband and parents across the river.

Among the members of this period, Mr. Editor, I had the pleasure for a few months to number yourself. Having become a resident of Southbury in 1866 I was again appointed to the pastorate of the church in that place, in connection also with the church in South Britain, for one year, my predecessor for the three years next preceding having been the Rev. Wm. H. Stebbins, who reported for South Britain sixty-six members and four probationers. In my cherished recollections of this good people are also the names of Abel Bronson and his family, Frederick Candee, Horace Buckingham, Orrin Murphy, John Lee, Elizur Perkins, Monroe Post, Agur Warner, Jacob Maybee, Curtis Warner, Lucius Downs, and many exemplary and devout women whose virtues and usefulness are beyond my praise.

SKETCH BY REV. E. L. BRAY.

In reference to the M. E. church in South Britain, I used to go there occasionally when the Rev. Heman Bangs was the presiding elder, and some of the old preachers like Burton Beach were on the circuit. I remember Daniel Wooster very well, and some others. My wife and myself were awakened and converted in that church in 1858, she the latter part of January, and I the first Sunday in February of

that year. Stephen J. Stebbins was the preacher in charge and lived in Southbury street, near the John Mosley place. I think there were between 30 and 40 converted in that revival and most of them united with that church. Bro. Stebbins removed to New Milford in April, 1858, and Ira Abbott succeeded him in the Britain church.

At that time and for several years it was a thriving and prosperous country church, having a good sized congregation, and its class and prayermeetings were well sustained. Three of the converts in that revival became preachers and at one time were all connected with the New York East Conference.

I received my license to exhort from the Quarterly Conference held in South Britain, July 2, 1861, and my local preacher's license in the same place, June 21, 1863. William C. Hoyt was the presiding elder, and it was then Bridgeport district. I preached my first sermon in that church Sunday morning, July 5, 1863. Spencer H. Bray also preached his first sermon after receiving his license, in that church. I remember the church before it was remodeled and repaired. It was a very plain building and we sinners at that time called it "The Old Barn." But sinners though we were we used to love to go to the "Old Barn" and hear the brethren pray, sing, exhort and shout God's praises. There was a power there they did not have in some more modern churches, hence in due time some of us came under the power, surrendered to Christ and became new creatures.

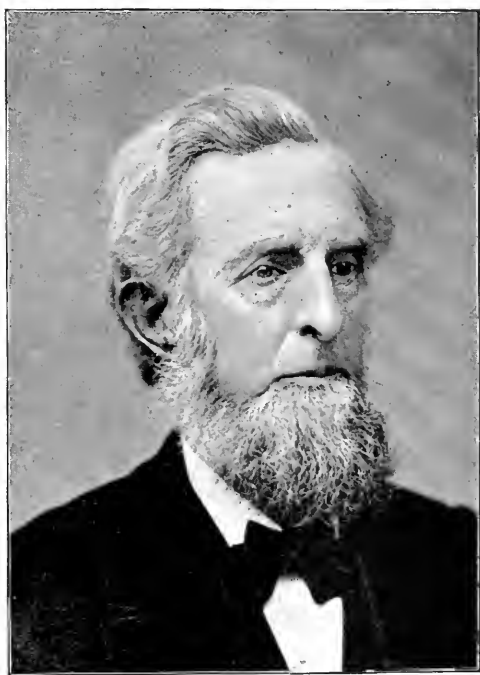
Forty years have rolled away since then and I know of only two of the original inhabitants of the village who were heads of families that are now living, viz.: Ira Bradley and Oliver Mitchell. All the others, so far as I know, have crossed over the silent river with the pale boatman. A new generation has sprung up since I left Britain in March, 1864. Thirty-four years has made great changes in the inhabitants, but not so much in the appearance of the village, as I saw it the 16th of last September.

TRUSTEES, STEWARDS, &C.

The trustees of the church in 1898 are: Samuel L. Tuttle, Reuben Pierce, James Adams, William C. Curtiss, P. H. Rusher. The stewards are S. L. Tuttle, Mrs. Jane A. Adams, Miss Anna Hinman, George W. Roswell, James Adams, Miss Lottie Curtiss. S. L. Tuttle is Sundayschool superintendent and Edward H. Marcy is assistant superintendent.

LIST OF PASTORS, '48 TO '98.

- 1848-9, Rev. S. W. Smith.
1850-1, Rev. Lorenzo D. Nickerson.
1852-3, Rev. C. P. Mallory.
1854-5, Rev. I. Sanford.
1856-7, Rev. S. J. Stebbins.
1858-9, Rev. Ira Abbott.
1860, Rev. H. Husted.
1861-2, Rev. William T. Gilbert.
1863-4, Rev. J. W. Simpson.
1865-7, Rev. William H. Stebbins.
1868, Rev. S. F. Johnson.
1869, Rev. W. T. Gilbert.
1870-2, Rev. David Osborn.
1873-4, Rev. L. S. Stowe.
1875, Rev. F. F. Jordan.
1876, Rev. D. F. Pierce.
1877, Rev. Wm. A. Munson.
1879-80, Rev. W. Barton.
1881, Rev. W. J. Robinson.
1882-4, Rev. H. Scofield.
1885-6, Rev. Otis J. Range.
1887-8, Rev. George L. Coburn.
1889-90, Rev. James Robinson.
1891-5, Rev. Joseph O. Munson.
1896-8, Rev. Otis J. Range.



REV. DAVID OSBORN.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

This church and ecclesiastical society, to the history of which a large portion of the first thirty pages of this book is devoted, was for a long period the only religious society in South Britain, and for that period its history is largely that of the community in general. The following lists of pastors, deacons and revivals (with the exception of the line marked with a star) is from the Manual of the church published in 1885.

PASTORS.

Rev. Jehu Minor was hired Oct. 24, 1768, to preach till the first of January following; was called Mar. 28, 1769, and was ordained and installed the first pastor May 24, 1769, and was dismissed June 1, 1790.

Rev. Matthias Cazier was acting pastor from Aug, 1799, till 1804.

Rev. Thomas Osgood was acting pastor during 1806 and a part of 1807.

Rev. Bennett Tyler preached in the autumn of 1807; was called in April, 1808; was ordained and installed June 1, 1808, and was dismissed Mar. 6, 1822.

Rev. Noah Smith was called Aug. 17, 1822; installed Oct. 9th of the same year, and died Oct. 10, 1830.

Rev. Darius Mead was acting pastor from Feb., 1833, till July, 1834.

Rev. Oliver B. Butterfield was installed June 27, 1837, and died Nov. 14, 1849.

Rev. Amos E. Lawrence began labor Oct. 8, 1851; was installed Dec. 10, 1851, and was dismissed Aug. 1, 1860.

Rev. John M. Wolcott supplied the pulpit from Aug. 1, 1860; was ordained and installed Feb. 20. 1861, and was dismissed July 1, 1865.

Rev. Homer S. Newcomb was acting pastor from July 24, 1865, till July 21, 1872.

Rev. Charles B. Curtiss was ordained and installed Oct. 29, 1873; resigned Sept. 21, 1874, and was dismissed Nov. 20, 1874.

Rev. Samuel J. Bryant was called Dec. 14, 1875; was ordained and installed Aug. 30, 1876, and was dismissed by Council July 1, 1884.

Rev. Seneca M. Keeler was called Oct. 3, 1884, and was installed Nov. 19, 1884.

The average term of service of the twelve was seven and two-third years; though two, Revs. Smith and Butterfield, were removed by death.

Nine of the thirteen ministers were installed as pastors, giving proof that this church has believed in the pastorate.

This church has shown great unanimity in the calling of its pastors; and, when the pastors have left their service, their testimony to the kindness and good will of this people has been very strong. The degree of harmony between pastors and people here has been marked to an unusual extent.

DEACONS.

John Pearce, chosen June 29, 1769, died July 26, 1788.

Ebenezer Downs, chosen Aug. 31, 1769, died Oct. 1, 1790.

Eleazer Mitchell, died Feb. 3, 1819.

Stephen Platt, died Aug. 30, 1790.

Solomon Seward, removed Dec. 22, 1799.

Joseph Bassett, died.

Isaac Curtiss, chosen Aug. 3, 1798, died.

Warren Mitchell, chosen Dec. 6, 1801, died Jan. 30, 1842.

Simeon Platt, chosen Dec. 20, 1827, died Oct. 14, 1865.

* Ansilum Perry, chosen Nov. 7, 1831, removed Apr. 26, 1835.

Anson Bradley, chosen June 21, 1835, died May 4, 1861.

Elliot Beardsley, chosen June 21, 1835, removed to Winsted, Ct., May 2, 1838.

Nelson Warren Mitchell, chosen May 4, 1860.

George A. Hoyt, chosen April 30, 1864; died Dec. 21, 1895.

REVIVALS.

1. In 1785, when 22 were received into this church.

2. In 1794, when 11 were received.

3. In 1812, under the pastorate of Rev. Bennett Tyler, when 50 were received.

4. In 1821, under the same pastor, 19 more were added.

5. In 1827, under the ministry of Rev. Noah Smith, 10 were received.

6. In 1830, under the same minister, 15 more were added.

7. In 1831, under the ministry of Rev. Seth Sackett, 27 were received.

8. In 1832, under the same minister, 40 more were added.

9. In 1833, under the ministry of Rev. Darius Mead, 17 were received.

10. In 1834, under the same minister, 24 more were added.

11. In 1835, 23 were received, the name of the under-shepherd being omitted.

12. In 1841, under the pastorate of Rev. Oliver B. Butterfield, 11 were received.

13. In 1847, under the same pastor, 16 more were added.

14. In 1858, under the pastorate of Rev. Amos E. Lawrence, 34 were received.

15. In 1864, under the pastorate of Rev. John M. Wolcott, 20 were received into the church.

16. In 1867, under the ministry of Rev. Homer S. Newcomb, 13 were received.

17. In 1874, under the pastorate of Rev. Charles B. Curtiss, 25 were received.

18. In 1877, under the pastorate of Rev. Samuel J. Bryant, 18 were received.

19. In 1879, under the same pastor, 14 more were added.

This makes a total of 409 since 1785, a little less than a century. If those received in smaller numbers, year by year, were added, the result would give this church great reason for gratitude to God, both for the ordinary as well as the extraordinary manifestations of the power of the Holy Spirit.

Surely a church so blessed in the past has abundant ground for praying for and expecting the divine blessing in the years to come.

THE WOOLEN INDUSTRY.

One building which attracts the attention and excites the curiosity of the stranger, is the factory, where for many years Bradley, Hoyt & Co. carried on the business of making yarns, flannels and other woollen goods. This industry, which was second only to the farming interest in town, dates back almost a century. In 1797 Elisha Bradley of Redding moved to Southbury, buying in 1800 from Lemuel Blackman the site of the present house of Burton Bradley, which Elisha, grandfather of the present owner, built in 1802. In the same year he leased from Simeon Mitchell a tract of land on the west side of the river, opposite the saw and grist mill now owned by J. A. Beard, and where at that time Simeon Mitchell had a grist mill which has since been burned.

On this leased ground Elisha Bradley erected a small fulling shop, as it was then called, and from about 1804 until 1821 carried on the business alone. In 1821 Anson Bradley, Elisha's second son, having attained his majority, his father took him into partnership. The business continued to increase, making a market for the farmers' wool for many miles around.

In 1831 Ira Bradley, who had worked for the firm for a number of years, was taken into partnership by Anson Bradley, his father, Elisha, retiring from business.

The new firm built a large factory near the old one to accommodate their growing trade, which continued good until the panic of 1837, when, through the failure of a New York firm, they were forced to make an assignment. After this the mill was idle for a considerable length of time, and it was not until January, 1851, that Anson Bradley sold his interest in the business to Ira Bradley and the mill started up again. He continued alone until January, 1865, when the mills were destroyed by fire.

During this period the woollen business, owing partly to the war, had proved a very profitable one, and it was not long before a company was formed under the name of Bradley, Hoyt & Co., including the following-named partners: Ira Bradley, Geo. A. Hoyt, Hubert Guth-

rie, Almon B. Downes, John Pierce and Harry Platt. The capital stock of the company was \$15,000. They purchased a mill-site of George Smith and a water privilege of the South Britain Water Power Co. and proceeded in 1866 to build the present structure. At a meeting of the stockholders Ira Bradley was elected president and George A. Hoyt secretary and treasurer, which offices they held until the mill shut down permanently in 1892.

Almon B. Downes acted as salesman for the firm, traveling over the state and selling goods, also in New York and on Long Island. The quality of the goods made was always A No. 1, and no shoddy or cheap material was ever used. As these goods were made from the best material they were naturally high-priced, and with the increase of shoddy mills and cheap clothing were slowly but surely pushed to the wall.

THE HAT BUSINESS.

This was at one time quite a flourishing business here. One of the early shopowners was Judson Manville, whose shop was west of the church, on the east bank of the Pomperaug, where a portion of the shop is yet standing. He employed about a dozen men, among whom was Thomas Solly, who afterward had a hat shop at Kettletown, which was then a thriving community, most of the men being hatters by trade. There was another hat shop at Kettletown, owned by Ransom Hinman. Each employed about half a dozen men. Gazeziel Benham's shop was near the old Burton Canfield mill. He used the furs of animals trapped in the neighboring forests—coons, rabbits, minks, skunks, etc., as well as the fur of cats.

An anecdote is told of Bill Botsford in this connection. He bought a hat and agreed to pay a certain number of skunk skins, "as they run." Some time after, not having brought the skins, he was reminded of his debt. He replied: "Wal, you agreed to take them as they run, and they are running yet."

The hatting business ended here about 1833.

There was at one time a prosperous business here in the manufacture of shears, and about 1860 to 1865 wagon spokes were turned out in large quantities from the hickory that grew upon the hillsides.

IN THE CIVIL WAR.

The following went from South Britain to serve in the Union army in the War of the Rebellion :

Capt. Perry Averill, see page 90.

Sergt. Wm. H. Bray, from South Britain, enlisted from Seymour Oct. 18, 1861, in Company G, 11th Regiment, was mustered in as corporal, was promoted sergeant Feb. 1, 1862, and was killed at the battle of Cedar Creek, Va., Oct. 18, 1865.

Capt. Morris P. Bray enlisted from Derby Oct. 1, 1861, in Co. G, 11th C. V.; was mustered in as Second Lieutenant, was promoted 1st Lieutenant March 28th, 1862, was promoted Capt. of Co. H Oct. 27, 1862; and resigned Mar. 27, 1863.

Sergt. William H. Canfield, enlisted Oct. 18, 1861, in Co. G, 11th C. V., and died Jan. 31, 1862, at Hatteras Inlet, N. C.

Lewis H. Fairchild, enlisted Nov. 3, 1861, in Co. G, 11th C. V.

Franklin B. Hayes, enlisted Aug. 5, 1862, in Co. F, 20th C. V., and served until the end of the war.

Israel Lucas, enlisted Aug. 20, 1862; was wounded at Cold Harbor, Va., June 1, 1864; disc. Dec. 18, 1864.

Wm. H. Murphy, enlisted May 22, 1861, in Co. B, 1st C. V. died Dec. 11, 1861.

John Unguemaugh, died in the service.

Frederick Wentz, enlisted Nov. 21, 1861, in Co. C, 11th C. V., and served three years.

George Wentz, enlisted Nov. 21, 1861, in Co. C, 11th C. V., was wounded at Antietam Sept. 17, 1862; was transferred to 32d Co., 2d Battery V. R. C.

Martin Wentz, enlisted Nov. 21, 1861, in Co. C, 11th C. V., was wounded May 16, 1864, at Drewry's Bluff, Va., died May 24, 1864.

MITCHELL.

CAPT. ELEAZAR MITCHELL, better known in his later years as Deacon Eleazar, gained early military experience as one of the volunteers who marched to the relief of Fort William Henry in 1757. In May, 1771, he was by the General Assembly appointed Lieutenant of the company or trainband in the Society of South Britain, in the 13th Regiment, and in October, 1772, he was appointed Captain of the same. His name also appears as Captain in the list of those who marched to New York at the call of Gen. Washington, but it is probable that owing to lameness, caused by sickness, it was necessary for him to leave active service in the army for no less necessary service at home in providing and collecting supplies for the soldiers and in other public affairs which the records of the times show to have called for men of sterling principles and patriotism.

LIEUT. REUBEN MITCHELL, mentioned page 58, as Ensign and member of the General Assembly for six years, was in the patriot army at New York in 1776, as Ensign in Capt. Hine's Company, Thirteenth Conn. Regiment. In May, 1777, he was appointed by the General Assembly "to be Ensign of the first company or trainband in the 13th Regiment." In January, 1780, he was promoted and appointed by the General Assembly to be Lieutenant of the 1st Company of the 13th Regiment.

SIMEON MITCHELL (see p. 55), was elected Selectman Dec. 26, 1791, and was re-elected in '92, '93 and '94, and David Mitchell in 1795.

GEORGE W. MITCHELL, of South Britain, is well known as a man of principle and strict integrity, temperate in all things, and an active and influential official member of the Congregational church. He was born in South Britain March 12, 1846, and received an academic education at "The Gunnery," in Washington, Ct., and at Ocean Institute, Oceanport, N. J. He is an earnest republican, and chairman of the town committee. He was a delegate to the convention that nominated Hon. P. C. Lounsbury to the gubernatorial office, and in 1887 was elected by a good majority to represent the town of



GEO. W MITCHELL.

Southbury in the General Assembly, although the previous year the town was democratic by twenty-eight majority. He is a merchant although owning a farm not far from the center of the place. He also spends a portion of his time in Kansas, looking after the affairs of the Goodrich Land & Cattle Co., of which he is president and a director.

William Anderson, in "The Scottish Nation," says: "Mitchell, a surname from the Anglo-Saxon Michel, signifying great; or it may be from the German Mit-schuler, a disciple, literally with a school. The Danish Modschield means carriage-shield. The crest of the Mitchells is a hand holding a pen; motto, "Favente deo supero."

Armorial General, Rietsl ap., says: Mitchell de Westshore—Ecosse (Baronet, 19 juin 1724). De sa a la facse d'or, acc. de trois maces du meme: a la bord. echiq. d'or et de sa. de trois lires. C.: trois epis de orge, mouv. d'une me tige. D.: sapiens qui assiduus.

WARNER.

NOBLE WARNER of Roxbury, and Sarah, his wife, had five children:

Marvin Orrin, d. in Oxford Aug. 21, 1874.

George, d. in in Roxbury, Mar. 1880.

Proctor, d. in Southbury, Aug., 1884.

Lorenzo, d. in New Milford, Jan., 1887.

Sally Thomas, d. in Roxbury, Apr. 27, 1888.

MARVIN O. WARNER, son of Noble and Sarah, m. Betsey Fairchild of Newtown. Res. Roxbury; occupation, hatter and farmer. Ch:

GRANVILLE WARNER, b. Nov. 9, 1840; m. Phebe A. Wood, Apr. 5, 1863. Children:

Frederic Granville, b. Mar. 20, 1866.

Bessie Thalia, b. Feb. 13, 1870.

BOOTH.

The Booths of the town of Southbury were descendants of Richard Booth of Stratford, said to have been born in England in 1607, and came to Stratford and m. Elizabeth Hawley. On the inside of cover of the second volume of the Stratford records there is a record of testimony by Richard Booth, then aged 81 years, in regard to boundaries. This testimony is dated Mar. 15, 1687, which would make the date of his birth 1606 instead of 1607. The name has almost disappeared here but there are many descendants of other names. His eldest daughter married John Minor, who came to Woodbury and had a daughter Grace who married Samuel Grant of Windsor. They had a son, Noah Grant, the grandfather of Capt. Noah Grant, who was the grandfather of Gen. U. S. Grant. The children of Richard Booth were :

Elizabeth, b. Sept. 10, 1641 ; m. John Minor Oct. 19, 1658.

Anne, b. Feb. 14, 1643.

Ephraim, b. Aug. 1, 1648; m. Mary Clark.

Ebenezer, b. Nov. 18, 1651.

John, b. Nov. 5, 1633; m. Dorothy Hawley, of Roxbury.

Joseph, b. Mar. 8, 1656; d. Sept. 1, 1703.

Bethia, b. Aug. 18, 1658; m. Joseph Curtiss.

Johannah, b. Mar. 21, 1661.

EBENEZER BOOTH, second son of Richard and Elizabeth, b. Nov. 18, 1651, m. 1st, Sarah Fairchild; 2d, Elizabeth Jones. Children :

Abiah, b. Oct. 25, 1674; m. Joseph Beach.

Richard, b. May 9, 1679.

John, d. in childhood.

Ebenezer, Jr., b. 1687; d. 1729.

Deborah, b. 1689; m. John Prindle of Derby, in May, 1709.

Edward, b. 1691.

Elizabeth, b. 1694; m. Caleb Beardsley in January, 1722.

Abigail, b. 1696; m. David Lake in January, 1724.

Benjamin, b. 1698.

EBENEZER BOOTH, JR., m. Mary Clark Sept. 8, 1709, and settled in Newtown. Benjamin Hurd of Woodbury sold to him, Mar. 23, 1709, all his right in Newtown granted by the general court in May, 1678 (Newtown Records, vol. 1, folio 44). Children: Ebenezer 3d, b. in 1710; Deborah, Ann, Mary, Eunice, Abia, Jethuel, Abner.

EBENEZER BOOTH 3d, m. Rachel Sanford Dec. 6, 1739. Res. Newtown. Children:

Ann, b. Dec. 4, 1740; d. 1741.

Ann, b. Mar. 28, 1742.

Ebeuezer 4th, b. Aug. 27, 1743; d. June 4, 1790.

Elijah, b. Oct. 26, 1745.

Asahel, b. Oct. 19, 1747.

David, b. Oct. 7, 1749; d. 1753.

Nathan, b. July 19, 1751.

Amos, b. Aug. 17, 1752; d. 1756.

David, b. Nov. 8, 1754.

EBENEZER BOOTH, 4th, m. Nov. 20, 1766, Olive Sanford, b. Mar. 27, 1744. She d. June 16, 1805. He was a cabinet maker, which in those days meant that he made household furniture in general, chairs, tables, bureaus, etc. Res. Newtown. Children:

Amy, b. Wed., Aug. 12, 1767; m. ——— Sherman; d. Apr. 29, 1798.

Joel, b. Sat., June 17, 1769; d. Oct. 14, 1794.

Olive, b. Thurs., Nov. 7, 1771; m. Simeon Glover Aug. 2, 1792. She d. Jan. 17, 1794.

Rachel, b. Sunday, Oct. 16, 1774; d. Jan. 31, 1777.

Rachel, 2d, b. Sunday, Oct. 26, 1777; m. Simeon Glover; d. Feb. 23, 1801.

Ebenezer, b. Sunday, Dec. 24, 1780; d. Oct. 17, 1836.

EBENEZER BOOTH, 5th, m. Anna Hann, of the Purchase, Jan. 11, 1802. (See p. 63-4).

GIDEON BOOTH, who was chosen chorister of the South Britain Congregational church, Dec. 21, 1794, was the son of John, Jr., and Elizabeth (Mallory) Booth.

DOWNS.

Ebenezer Downs of South Britain was one of those who signed the petition to the General Assembly in 1765 for the establishment of the South Britain Ecclesiastical Society and he was elected a deacon Aug. 31, 1769. He died Oct. 1, 1790, aged 83 years. Dinah, his wife, died June 11, 1793, aged 87 years. Children :

Daniel, b. Oct. 27, 1728.

Ebenezer, b. Sept. 6, 1730.

Moses.

Aaron.

Philo.

PHILO DOWNS, son of Ebenezer and Dinah, m. Hannah Malory and had a son, Benjamin, m. Phebe Maria Prime, and had a son, Henry P., b. June 24, 1851.

HENRY P. DOWNS, son of Benjamin and Phebe, m. Nancy Clarinda Hoyt Sept. 11, 1878. Ch :

Geo. Hoyt, b. Apr. 25, 1898.

WAIT DOWNS, son of Moses Downs, b. 1777, m. Mar. 26, 1797, Phebe Hinman, who died May 9, 1838, aged 68. Children :

Sophia, b. Jan. 5, 1799 ; m. Ezekiel Beardsley of Roxbury.

Erastus, b. July 6, 1797 ; died July 26, 1841.

Nathan, went to Knox Co., Ohio.

Zephina, b. Jan., 1804 ; residence, South Britain.

Flora, m. ——— Samuel Smith of Hulls Hill.

Ann, m. 1st, Win. French ; 2d, Elijah French ; 3d, Rufus Stiles.

Seymour, m. ——— Beardsley of Pa.

ERASTUS DOWNS, son of Wait and Phebe, m. Betsy Burr, who died Sept. 10, 1881, aged 88. Children :

Fanny, d. in 1860.

Celina, m. Dea. Alson Seeley of Monroe.

Almon B., b. 1824, residence South Britain.

Julia E., b. April 21, 1829 ; m. Isaac Burr Hinman.

Henry W., b. 1834 ; d. 1851.

ALMON B. DOWNS, son of Erastus and Betsey, m., Nov. 26, 1861, Laura A. Mitchell. She died Aug. 18, 1862. He was a member of the legislature in 1858 and 1862.

TRUMAN DOWNS m. Sarah Porter Feb. 27, 1777. Children :

Betsey, b. Oct. 6, 1779.

Abigail, b. May 18, 1781.

Austin, b. May 29, 1789.

Truman, b. June 4, 1799.

JOEL DOWNES of South Britain m. in November, 1806, Betty Skeels, daughter of John and Mabel Skeels, who d. Sept. 21, 1847. He died April 20, 1824, aged 56. Children :

Daniel.

Ruth, b. Jan., 1808 ; d. Sept. 18, 1810.

Ruth S., b. June, 1811 ; d. Sept. 5, 1826.

DANIEL DOWNS, of South Britain, son of Joel and Betty, m. Louisa Thompson. Ch. :

Charles S., b. Oct. 2, 1843.

CHARLES S. DOWNS, son of Daniel and Louisa, m. Frances W. Brown, of Ansonia, Nov. 17, 1870. Childred :

Frederick Almon, b. Jan. 20, 1872.

Charles Daniel, b. Feb. 4, 1874.

MILLS DOWNS of Zoar, m. Amy Bassett. He died in Oxford, Mar. 1, 1846. Children :

Amaziah.

Henry.

Mary,

Grace, m. Edson Hayes, of Stepney.

Hannah, m. ——— Patterson, of Berlin.

Oliver, d. in Oxford, Mar. 7, 1886, aged 59.

Lucius, lived in South Britain.

Albert W., died in the army Mar. 18, 1865.

Chauncey S., died in the army July 4, 1862.

David, of Stevenson.

BENJAMIN DOWNS, son of Philo and Hannah, m. Phebe Maria Prime. Occupation, wagonmaker. Residence, South Britain.

Aaron Downs m. Persis Wildman Aug. 17, 1753.

Benjamin Downs m. Comfort Hinman Sept. 9, 1771.

Curtis B. Downs m. Mary C. Mitchell of South Britain, Oct. 22, 1839.

- Daniel Downs m. Currance Peck Oct. 21, 1720.
 Daniel W. Downs, m. Lovisa M. Thompson, Oct. 11, 1837.
 Ebenezer Downs m. Abigail Stadeliff Sept. 17, 1782.
 Henry P. Downs m. Nancy C. Hoyt Sept. 11, 1878.
 Lucius Downs m. Mariett Warner Nov. 3, 1850.
 Mary Downs m. J. R. Judson Apr. 14, 1861.
 Moses Downs, Jr., m. Laura Hinman April 4, 1791.
 Nathan I. Downs m. Mary A. Hine Oct. 28, 1840. She was b.
 Dec. 20, 1825; d. in Oxford Aug. 17, 1868.
 Philo Downs m. Hannah Mallory April 28, 1796.
 Seymour I. Downs m. Adaline Beardsley Mar. 9, 1829.
 Smith Downs m. Ruth Ann Stiles Nov. 27, 1808.
 Susan C. m. Fenn Mallett Sept. 20, 1837.
 Truman Downs m. Sarah Porter Feb. 27, 1777.

WENTZ—WENTSCH.

- MICHAEL WENTSCH m. Anna Reuld in June, 1853. Children :
 Jacob. b. Feb. 15, 1854.
 Isaac G., b. Sept. 13, 1855.
 Mary A., b. Apr. 26, 1857.
 Susan A., b. Feb. 13, 1862.
 Lillian S., b. July 18, 1866; m. Sidney S. Platt, 2d.
 George J., b. Nov. 28, 1874.
 GEORGE FREDERICK WENTSCH m. Christain Obngemauch
 Nov. 19, 1861.

Frederick, George and Martin Wentsch were among those who
 enlisted in the first year of the War for the preservation of the Union,
 and Martin gave his life for his country, at Drewry's Bluff, Va.

George Wentz m. Emma Hehnatt July 6, 1865.

LEWIS.

- NEHEMIAH LEWIS, b. Sept. 11, 1730, m. Sarah Peck, b. Jan
 23, 1742. They were the parents of
 AARON LEWIS, b. Mar. 10, 1715. See page 86.
 ROBERT TREADWELL LEWIS, son of Isaac and Elizabeth, (p.
 86,) was born Sept. 18, 1844. He m. Millie Celestia Crook Nov. 5,
 1865. Residence, Watertown. Occupation, superintendent pin de-
 partment of American Pin Co.'s works, Waterbury. Children:
 Robert Treadwell, b. Oct. 8, 1866.
 Ruby Virginia, b. Feb. 10, 1871.
 Daisy Elizabeth, b. May 6, 1876; m. William Ralph Smith Nov.
 5, 1896. Ch: Justin Lewis Smith, b. Dec. 16, 1897.

STODDARD.



COAT OF ARMS.

ANTHONY STODDARD came from England to Boston in 1639. He m. 1st Mary Downing, by whom he had three sons. Solomon, the first, was born Oct. 4, 1643, died Feb. 11, 1729.

REV. SOLOMON STODDARD, son of Anthony and Mary, graduated at Harvard in 1662, was first librarian of the college for several years, preached in the Barbadoes two years, and settled at Northampton in 1672. He married Esther Mather Mar. 8, 1670. He was the author of numerous theological

works. His second son, Anthony, was born Aug. 9, 1678; d. Sept. 8, 1760.

REV. ANTHONY STODDARD, son of Solomon and Esther, graduated at Harvard in 1697 and settled in Woodbury, where he served as pastor sixty years. He m. 1st, Prudence Wells, Oct. 20, 1700; 2d, Mary Sherman, Jan. 31, 1715. His second son, Eliakim, was born April 3, 1705; d. 1750.

ELIAKIM STODDARD son of Anthony and Prudence, m. Joanna Curtis in 1729. Residence, Woodbury.

JOHN STODDARD, eldest son of Eliakim and Joanna, m. Mary Atwood April 15, 1751. Residence, Watertown.

SAMSON STODDARD, eldest son of John and Mary, b. Oct. 25, 1752; d. Nov. 11, 1809; m. 1st, Susannah Nettleton, who d. Apr. 24, 1779; 2d, Amy Goodwin, whose ancestors came in the Mayflower. He lived in Watertown. Children :

Prudence, b. Aug. 11, 1775; m. James Atwood, of Woodbury.
Abiram, Dr., b. Jan. 27, 1777; graduated at Yale in 1800;
lived in Seymour.

Susannah, b. Mar. 26, 1779; m. Wheeler Atwood, of Woodbury.
William, Dr., b. Sept. 29, 1781; graduated at Yale in 1804.

Goodwin, Rev., b. May 8, 1783; m. Ann Warner.

Harvey, b. Apr. 14, 1785; m. Selina Martin.

Anna, b. Aug. 17, 1788; m. William Tolles.

Samuel, b. Aug. 6, 1791; d. Aug. 4, 1828.

SAMUEL STODDARD, youngest son of Samson and Amy, b.
Aug. 6, 1791; m. Phebe Minor, who died Sept. 5, 1836. Children:
Goodwin, b. in 1816; d. Nov. 16, 1863, in Westville.

Lucy Ann, b. Apr. 16, 1817; m. Christopher C. Batterman.

Samuel John, b. Feb. 8, 1820; lived in South Britain.

Mary Elizabeth, b. Apr. 16, 1822; m. Chas. Stoddard.

Asa Alanson, b. Apr. 28, 1829. 1st Lieut. in Mexican War.

Julia Page, b. June 10, 1826; d. Apr. 25, 1830.

SAMUEL J. STODDARD, son of Samuel and Phebe, m. Esther
Ann Platt, only daughter of Joseph and Patty Platt, of South Britain.

TUTTLE.

NEWTON TUTTLE, b. June 1, 1768, was in his youth an industrious student, improving every means of instruction within his reach. He was converted to Methodism, it is said, in 1784, and was a leader in the formation of the Methodist society. He was soon licensed to preach and continued to preach the remainder of his life. He had pastoral charge of the society for years, but attended to business on weekdays. He was recognized as a man of energy and integrity and exercised great influence in the community. He did a large proportion of public business, settled many estates, and was interested in manufacturing enterprises to which he gave much attention, as well as to the work of his farm. He also represented the town of Southbury in the legislature in 1824 and 1828. He died Mar. 12, 1833.

CANFIELD.

THOMAS CAMPFIELD, who was in Milford as early as 1646, was the ancestor of the Canfield families of South Britain. He was confirmed Sargeant of the Trainband at Milford May 13, 1669, by the General Court. In October, 1673, he was deputy from Milford to the General Court at Hartford. In the list of freemen of Milford in 1669 his name is spelled Camppheild. He was also a member of the General Court in 1681, 1683 and 1684, the name being recorded also as Camfield and Canfeild. He m. Phebe ———. Children:

Thomas, b. Oct. 14, 1654; d. in 1712.

Phebe, bap. Mar. 9, 1656.

Mary, b. Jan. 1, 1657.

Elizabeth, b. Feb. 14, 1660; m. Zachariah Baldwin.

Hannah, b. Nov. 20, 1667.

Mehitabel, b. July 2, 1671; m. ———Pierson.

Jeremiah, d. March, 1740.

Abigail.

Sarah, m. Josiah Platt Dec. 2, 1669.

JEREMIAH CANFIELD, son of Thomas and Phebe, m. Alice ———, and moved to New Milford. Children:

Jeremiah, d. Mar. 18, 1740.

Azariah, m. Mary Baldwin.

Alice, m. Joseph Bassett.

Zerniah, m. Daniel Terrill.

Mary, bap. Apr. 9, 1699.

Samuel, b. 1701; m. Abigail Peck; d. Dec. 14, 1754.

Thomas, b. Sept. 18, 1704.

Jemima, b. in 1706; m. John Bostwick of New Milford.

Zerubbabel, bapt. Sept. 25, 1709; d. Aug. 18, 1770.

Joseph, bap. — 17, 1712; m. Jerusha Bostwick.

ZERUBBABEL CANFIELD, son of Jeremiah, m. Mary Bostwick July 26, 1731, and lived in Bridgewater. Children:

Sarah, b. Mar. 10, 1734.

Betty, b. Oct. 1, 1733; d. Aug. 25, 1736.

Ann, b. Sept. 1, 1737; d. Jan. 23, 1770.

Nathan, b. July 28, 1739.

Enos, b. Feb. 8, 1741; d. Dec. 10, 1761.

Lemuel, b. Jan. 31, 1744.

Hannah, b. July 2, 1746.

Daniel, b. Nov. 26, 1740; d. Aug. 18, 1770.

LEMUEL CANFIELD, son of Zerubbabel and Mary, m. Sarah Burton Feb. 10, 1774, and lived in Bridgewater. Children:

Daniel, b. Oct. 29, 1774; d. Sept. 4, 1853.

Ann, b. July 26, 1776; m. Ephraim Munson.

Burton, b. Feb. 28, 1778; d. Jan. 10, 1848.

Charles A., b. Sept. 24, 1781; d. May 2, 1782.

Augustine, b. Jan. 15, 1784; d. Sept. 16, 1848.

Lemuel, b. Mar. 26, 1787; d. Mar. 15, 1817.

Orlando, b. Apr. 4, 1794; graduated at Yale in 1818; d. 1860.

BURTON CANFIELD, son of Lemuel and Sarah, m. Polly Mitchell April 1, 1802, and lived in South Britain. In 1807 he represented the town of Southbury in the General Assembly at the May session. Children:

Harriet, b. Dec. 27, 1802; m. Dea. Anson Bradley of South Britain.

Mitchell Monroe, b. Mar. 29, 1809.

Lemuel Munson, b. Apr. 19, 1820; d. Sept. 5, 1854.

MITCHELL M. CANFIELD, son of Burton and Polly, m. Eliza J. Averill Nov. 24, 1830. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Averill Burton, b. Nov. 8, 1831.

Henry Monroe, b. Aug. 15, 1841.

AVERILL B. CANFIELD, son of Mitchell M. and Eliza, m. Alice S. Angevine Sept. 9, 1857. Children:

Cornelia Elizabeth, b. Dec. 18, 1858.

Robert Monroe, b. Feb. 26, 1863.

Averill B., b. Nov. 8, 1871.

HENRY MONROE CANFIELD, son of Mitchell M. and Eliza J., was Secretary of Legation at Athens during the administration of Abraham Lincoln. He now lives in South Britain, where he has been acting school visitor and has filled other positions of trust. He m. Alice Rebecca Hayes, daughter of Stephen and Lucy A. Hayes, June 1, 1871. Residence, South Britain. Children:

Burton Hayes, b. Apr. 1, 1872.

Lucy Averill, b. Sept. 15, 1874.

Harry Horace, b. Dec. 22, 1875.

Hattie Marie, b. Mar. 22, 1878.

Samuel Monson, b. July 23, 1880.

LEMUEL CANFIELD, son of Lemuel and Sarah, m. Betsey Mitchell Aug. 30, 1807. Residence, South Britain. Child:

Jerome, b. Mar. 26, 1808.

JEROME CANFIELD, son of Lemuel and Betsey, m. Hannah Smith Nov. 26, 1828. Children: Lemuel L., Mitchell M., Cornelia C., Edward J., Chandler, Emma G.

WARD.

ANDREW WARD, son of Richard Ward, of Suffolk, Eng., was "made a freeman" in Boston May 14, 1634. He afterward settled in Fairfield, Ct., where he died in 1659. His son William, of Wallingford, was the father of Zenas Ward, who settled in Woodbury about 1742.

ZENAS WARD, m. 1st, in 1743, Mary Bates, who died Sept. 25, 1760; 2d, Patience Squire. Children:

Bethuel, b. April 8, 1744.

Macock, b. Nov. 6, 1745.

Mary, b. Oct. 26, 1747; m. Ichabod Squire and moved to Vt.

Amy, b. July 6, 1752; d. unm.

Anna, b. July 6, 1755; m. Thomas Squire.

Content, b. Dec. 27, 1761; m. Benjamin Squire and moved to Ohio.

Hannibal, b. Sept. 30, 1764; m. Adua Mallory Nov. 26, 1788.

Zenas, b. July 17, 1770; m. Martha Parks.

BETHUEL WARD, son of Zenas and Mary, m. Ruth Squire, April 23, 1769. Children:

Hannah.

Chloe.

Asher, m. Hannah Mallory. Ch: Bennett, Harriet, Charles, Amy, Rebecca, Eunice, Sally, Lucy.

Amy.

Rebecca.

Eunice.

Sally.

Lucy.

ZENAS WARD, son of Zenas and Patience, m. Martha Parks, in South Britain Sept. 25, 1788. Children: Ruth, James, Ashbel, Sylvania, Zenas, Patience.

MACOCK WARD, of Roxbury, son of Zenas and Mary, m. Elizabeth Squire Jan. 8, 1769. Children:

Maycock, died unm.

Airy, m. Ruth Kane; lived in South Britain.

Mary, d. unm.

Eli, m. Alice Brown.

Reuben, lived in the Purchase.

John, m. Sally Gilbert. Ch: Lemuel, Orren, and Maria who m.

Seymour Garlick of Branford

Elizabeth, d. unm.

Samuel, m. Olive Hurlburt, lived in Bridgewater.

Ambrose, lived in the northwest part of South Britain parish.
Children: Jane, Wealthy, Samuel.

REUBEN WARD, son of Macock and Elizabeth, m. Hepsey Tooley, and lived in the Purchase. Children:

Peter, b. 1809; d. Mar. 8, 1898, in Oxford.

Huldah, m. Abel Peck, lives in Newtown.

Elizabeth, m. Thomas Terrell.

Nancy, d. unm.

Joel.

Philene, d. unm.

Martha, m. Wm. Stillson, of Newtown.

LEVI WARD, son of Eli and Alice, m. Polly Cogswell. Children: Abiram, Sterling, Alvin, Calvin, William, Mary, Laura.

PETER WARD, son of Renben and Hepsey, m. Susan Wheeler, of Oxford. Residence, Riggs street, Oxford. Children:

Wheeler, m. Adaline Gilbert; lived in Newtown.

Sarah, m. Robert Wheeler, Jr., of Oxford.

Edd, d. unmarried, in South Britain.

Joel, d. in 1844, aged 3 years.

George, d. in 1844, aged 11 months.

Peter, b. Jan. 23, 1845; m. Eugenia Reynolds. Res., Seymour.

Susan, m. George Hubbell, of Oxford.

Charles, d. aged 19.

George and Mary, unmarried, live in Oxford.

JOEL WARD, son of Renben and Hepsey, m. 1st, Ester Hill, of the Purchase; 2d, Mary Ann Gilbert. Ch:

Nettie, m. Wm. H. Fairchild, of South Britain.

Ester, m. Philo Hawley, who lived in the northwest part of the Purchase, west of the Shepaug.

Olive, m. Frank Hawley, of Bridgewater.

James Ward m. Mary Dart, from Huntington.

Lazarus Ward and Martha Park were m. in South Britain Dec. 24, 1797.

Zenas Ward, son of Zenas, d. in South Britain Nov. 5, 1753.

Thomas Ward lived in South Britain and ran a tannery there. He d. Jan. 16, 1882, aged 82. He had a son John and two daughters, Elizabeth, and one who m. Henry Dawson, woollen manufacturer, of Hotchkissville.

DOWNNS.

PHILO DOWNS, b. Feb. 18, 1772; d. Apr. 10, 1816; m. Hannah Mallory Apr. 28, 1798. She was born Aug. 29, 1776; d. July 6, 1857. Children;

Laura, b. Mar. 18, 1798; d. May 20, 1863.

Nancy, b. Nov. 29, 1801; d. May 27, 1855.

Caroline, b. June 15, 1804; d. Aug. 10, 1841.

Benjamin Philo, b. Feb. 2, 1807; d. Nov. 6, 1862.

Judith Augusta, b. Feb. 28, 1809; m. Erastus Mitchell. See page 56. Died Aug. 12, 1892.

Maria Sophronia, b. May 2, 1813; d. 1815.

Hannah Maria, b. Mar. 9, 1815; died Sept. 8, 1895.

LAURA DOWNS, daughter of Philo and Hannah, m. Dr. Harmon Clark Feb. 8, 1816. Children:

Philo Henry, b. Aug. 3, 1819; living at Ashland, Ohio.

Leander, b. July 17, 1823; lives in Iowa.

Hannah Maria, b. Sept. 17, 1828; m. Dr. John C. Bryant. Ch:

Clarence, Winifred, Viola. All live in Buffalo, N. Y.

Theodore F., b. Mar. 27, 1831; lives in Iowa.

NANCY DOWNS, daughter of Philo and Hannah, m. Chester Manville June 7, 1843. Child:

Elsie Downs Manville, b. Oct. 25, 1845; m. Cornelius Ellis Oct., 1869. They live in Ohio. Ch: Earle, b. in 1870.

CAROLINE DOWNS, daughter of Philo and Hannah, m. Justus Wheeler Oct. 2, 1827. Children:

Mary Augusta, b. Oct. 17, 1828; m. 1st, Mr. Handford; 2d, Bradley Hayes.

Ann Maria, b. Apr. 19, 1830; m. Jack Bissell; d. 1867. No ch.

BENJAMIN P. DOWNS, son of Philo and Hannah, m. Phebe Maria Prime Jan. 25, 1843. Children:

George William, b. Nov. 20, 1843; m. Mary Elizabeth Barton Nov. 27, 1868.

Caroline Maria, b. July 31, 1845; d. March, 1846.

Helen Frances, b. Sept. 16, 1846; d. in 1852.

Emma Maria, b. Sept. 14, 1849; m. David Chester Platt. See p. 46.
Henry Prime, b. June 24, 1851; m. Nancy C. Hoyt Sept. 11,
1878; Ch : George Hoyt Downs, b. Apr. 25, 1898.

HANNAH M. DOWNS, daughter of Philo and Hannah Downs,
m. Ebenezer Seeley Winton Nov. 30, 1837. Children :
Harriet Seeley, b. June 30, 1840; d. Aug. 5, 1880.
Maria Lonisa, b. May 15, 1843; d. Dec. 2, 1886.
George Edward, b. Sept. 27, 1850.

HARRIET SEELEY WINTON, daughter of Ebenezer S. and
Hannah (Downs) Winton, m. Geo. Franklin Cook Feb. 2, 1870.
Children :

Franklin, b. Nov., 1872; m. Frances Thompson Sept. 3, 1896.
Susie, b. Apr. 1, 1876; m. Lawrence Lupton July 12, 1898.

MARIA L. WINTON, daughter of Ebenezer S. and Hannah
(Downs) Winton, m. George B. Gorham Dec. 12, 1865. Children:

Edward Winton, b. Oct. 27, 1866.
Fanny Louisa, b. Oct. 22, 1867.
Frederick Seeley, b. Mar., 1869.
George Clinton, d.
Hattie Cook and Helen Mitchell, twins, d.
Laura Downs, b. Oct. 7, 1873.
Carrie Banks, b. July 16, 1877.
Susie Clark, b. June 28, 1879.
Andrew L., b. 1882.

GEO. E. WINTON, son of Ebenezer S and Hannah M., m. An-
nie Peck Jan. 17, 1877. Children:

Morris Fletcher, b. Feb. 15, 1878.
Clarence Edward, b. Aug. 22, 1880.

SQUIRE.

SERGT. THOMAS SQUIRE, who died Apr. 9, 1712, had nine children: Thomas, Samuel, Ebenezer, John, Hannah, Martha, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Joseph.

THOMAS SQUIRE, JR., had eight children:

Solomon, b. May 20, 1703; d. June 26, 1845.

David, b. Dec., 1708.

Thomas, b. May 9, 1710.

Elizabeth, b. Oct. 12, 1712; m. Aaron Mallory Aug. 1, 1739.

Mary, b. Jan. 9, 1715; m. Luke Castle.

Hannah, b. Dec. 1, 1717; d. 1735.

Sarah, b. Feb. 3, 1720; m. Peter Hurd.

John, b. Sept. 16, 1722.

Benjamin, bap. Mar. 33, 1729.

EBENEZER SQUIRE, son of Sergt. Thomas, m. 1st, Ann Huth-witt; 2d, Patience ———; 3d, Ellen ———. Children:

Judith, b. Apr. 19, 1716; m. Peter Minor.

Esther, b. June, 1719.

Patience, b. Nov. 7, 1721.

Daniel, b. April 1725; m. Sarah Tomlin.

Samuel, b. Dec., 1727.

Ebenezer, Jr., b. Oct., 1730.

EBENEZER SQUIRE, JR., was one of the petitioners for the foundation of the South Britain Society in 1765 and his name appears in the list of members in 1772. He m. Ann Pierce April 22, 1754. Children:

Mary, b. Feb. 20, 1755.

Ann, b. Mar. 5, 1757.

Lois, b. July 20, 1759.

Ebenezer, bap. Apr. 18, 1762.

Mercy, bap. July 3, 1764.

Andrew, bap. Aug. 27, 1732; m. Huldah Bronson.

SOLOMON SQUIRE, son of Thomas, Jr., and his wife Martha, had six children:

Olive, bap. Sept. 22, 1728.

James, b. June 25, 1730; m. Ruth Baldwin.

Patience, bap. Apr. 15, 1733; m. Zenas Ward. See page 159

Solomon, bap. Oct. 26, 1735; enlisted in 1758 for the French war.

Ruth, bap. Aug. 27, 1738; m. Michael Hann. See page 61.

Martha, bap. Aug. 26, 1744.

THOMAS SQUIRE, son of Thomas, Jr., m. Rebecca Castle July 9, 1735. Children:

Stephen, bap. May 23, 1736; m. Ruth Robins.

Hannah, bap. Mar. 26, 1738; m. Ebenezer Booth.

Rebecca, bap. Jan. 6, 1742; m. David Squire.

William, bap. Jan. 4, 1745.

Mabel, bap. June 28, 1747.

A number of families of this name settled in the northwest part of the Purchase, near the Shepang River and the old homesteads continued to be occupied by the descendents for several generations

WARD.

The arms of the Wards of Gorleston, co. Suffolk, granted in 1593, were—Az a cross betw. four eagles displ. ar.

CREST—On a mount vert. a hind couchant ar.

ANDREW WARD, fifth son of Richard Ward, of Gorleston, county Suffolk, England, came to America about 1632. He was appointed by the General Court of Massachusetts, with Roger Ludlow and six others, to govern the colony of Connecticut for one year. He was therefore one of the assistants or judges of the first legislative body in Connecticut, which met at Hartford April 26, 1636. He soon after removed to New Haven and was for several years a member of the General Court. He afterward settled in Fairfield and was one of the most influential men of that place. He died in 1663. Esther Ward, his widow, died in 1665. Children:

Edmund, lived in Westchester, N. Y.

William, Dr., b. 1645; was killed in the Narragansett war.

Mary, m. John Burr of Fairfield.

Andrew, b. 1647; d. in Killingworth in 1691.

Samuel, b. 1649; d. before 1693.

Abigail.

Anna, m. Caleb Nichols.

John.

Sarah, m. Nathaniel Burr.

ANDREW WARD, 2d, son of Andrew and Esther Ward, settled in Killingworth, in 1668. He m. Trial Meigs, d. of John Meigs of Guilford. Children:

Andrew, 3d, b. 1669; d. Aug. 1756.

John, b. Mar. 16, 1671.

Abigail, b. Sept. 15, 1672.

Sarah, b. Nov. 15, 1674.

Peter, b. Oct. 14, 1676.

William, b. Oct. 18, 1678; d. Dec. 14, 1769.

Samuel, b. Sept. 24, 1680; d. the next year.

Esther, b. May 2, 1684; d. the next month.

Mary.

Ann.

The mother of Henry Ward Beecher was a descendant of Andrew Ward, of the seventh generation.

WILLIAM WARD, the sixth child of Andrew and Trial Ward, m. Lettis, daughter of John Beach of Wallingford. Res. Wallingford. Children:

Mecock, b. July 17, 1702.

William, b. Jan. 7, 1705.

Mary.

Amy, b. 1707.

Ambrose, b. March 6, 1709.

Lettis, b. June 7, 1711.

John, b. 1714; d. Dec. 2, 1754.

Pryal, b. Jan. 20, 1716.

Arch, b. July 5, 1718.

Zenas, b. Sept. 17, 1720; settled in Woodbury. [See page 159.]

Titus, b. Apr. 27, 1723.

JOHN WARD, son of William and Lettis Ward, m. Elizabeth Abernathy May 11, 1736. He was a druggist and lived in Wallingford. Children:

Thelus, b. Apr. 24, 1737; enlisted Nov. 14, 1781, in Capt. Vail's company of Guards "stationed at Guilford for the defence of the Sea Coast."

Abel, b. July 1, 1740; lived in Woodbridge; d. Nov. 20, 1759.

Titus, b. March 18, 1742.

Martha, b. July 16, 1744.

Eunice, b. July 17, 1746.

John, b. May 24, 1748; died in infancy.

John, b. Nov. 19, 1751.

TITUS WARD, son of John and Elizabeth Ward, m. Amy Smith Jan. 7, 1763. He died near New York City and his property was on a vessel which was captured by the British in the Revolutionary War. Children:

Silva, b. Aug. 8, 1764; m. Isaac Plumb of Milford.

Abel, b. May 24, 1766.

Titus, b. March 30, 1768; m. Sarah Smith of Milford.
 Betsey, b. March, 22, 1770; m. Samuel Beach of Milford.
 Nancy, b. June 10, 1773.
 John, b. May, 13, 1774; died young.
 Sarah, b. May 26, 1776; m. Elijah Prindle.
 William, b. Jan. 5, 1780; died young.
 Statica, b. July 16, 1782; m. Billions Wright.

ABEL WARD, son of Titus and Amy Ward, m. 1st Rachel Hotchkiss of Woodbridge, in what is now Bethany. She died in 1787. He m. 2d, Anna Wheeler. Children:

Richard, b. Sept. 21, 1787; d. in Naugatuck March 2, 1851.
 Rachel, b. Jan. 23, 1792; m. Jervis Sommers. Two of their children, Jervis and Mary, are now living in Southford.

RICHARD WARD, son of Abel and Rachel Ward, m. Dec. 15, 1811, Roxana, daughter of Culpepper Hoadly, a soldier of the Revolution, and his wife, Molly Lewis, of Salem Bridge, now Naugatuck. She died Feb. 6, 1865. Children:

Lewis, b. Sept. 27, 1812; d. in Naugatuck Aug. 3, 1878.
 Lauren, b. Dec. 27, 1814; m. Emily Hotchkiss of Bethany. Res. Naugatuck.
 Maria, b. Feb. 11, 1819; m. Ralph Smith of Bridgeport.
 Mary, b. Feb. 17, 1823; m. Ganau Potter; d. Aug. 2, 1842.
 William, b. Mar. 7, 1825; m. Elizabeth A. Hine. Res. Naugatuck.

LEWIS WARD, son of Richard and Roxana Ward, m. Mary Ann Curtis of Huntington April 19, 1835. She was born April 15, 18—; d.— 12, 18—, aged 83 years and 7 months. Children:

James, b. Oct. 8, 1836; m. Jane E. Hotchkiss of Bethany.

WILLIAM WARD of Naugatuck, son of Richard and Mollie Lewis Ward, m. Elizabeth A. Hine of Milford. Children:

Emmie E., b. May 6, 1853; m. Walter P. Hatch. Res. Milwaukee, Wis.

Alice M., b. Feb. 4, 1856; m. Charles A. Briggs of Clarmont, N. H. Res. Waterbury.

Josephine, b. Oct. 27, 1864; m. Clarence C. Isbell of Milford. Now living at North Adams, Mass.

